

**REPORT OF THE  
EXECUTIVE  
SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE  
ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE  
COUNCIL**

**June 18, 2021**

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Senator Terry Rice, Co-Chair	Representative Jeff Wardlaw, Co-Chair
Senator Missy Irvin, Vice Co-Chair	Representative Jim Dotson, Vice Co-Chair
Senator Cecile Bledsoe	Representative Matthew J. Shepherd
Senator Jimmy Hickey, Jr	Representative Kenneth B. Ferguson

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**June 17, 2021 Meeting**

We, the Executive Subcommittee of the Arkansas Legislative Council, met at 10:00 a.m. on June 17, 2021 in Room A of the Big MAC Building, Little Rock, Arkansas. Co-Chair Jeffrey Wardlaw called the meeting to order and saw a quorum of members present.

**Request for Approval**

Co-Chair Wardlaw recognized Senator Kim Hammer to present the request for approval of expenditures related to employer participation in retirement benefits. After the presentation, Co-Chair Wardlaw recognized members for questions. Following questions, Co-Chair Wardlaw recognized Co-Chair Rice for a motion.

**Co-Chair Terry Rice made a motion to hold the request until the July 2021 meeting. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.**

**The Segal Group, Inc.**

Co-Chair Wardlaw recognized Mr. Patrick Klein, FSA, MAAA, Account Manager VP and Mr. Matthew Kersting, FSA, MAAA, Lead Actuary, of The Segal Group Inc. to present the information regarding State Board of Finance contracts and recommendations related to the State and Public School Life and Health Insurance Program and employee benefits plans for CY2022. In addition, Mr. Klein and Mr. Kersting provided updates regarding the Employee Health Benefits Study.

Co-Chair Wardlaw recognized members for questions. After questions, it was determined that multiple meetings and discussion will be necessary throughout the next couple of months, to stay on track towards the Employee Health Benefit goal.

**Co-Chair Wardlaw stated, without objection, it is the recommendation of the subcommittee that the ALC Subcommittee schedule be revised as follows for the months of July through October:**

- **Monday** - 9:00 a.m. - PEER  
1:30 p.m. - REVIEW
- **Tuesday** - 9:00 a.m. - RULES  
1:30 p.m. - PERSONNEL
- **Wednesday** - 9:00 a.m. - EXECUTIVE  
2:00 p.m. - Other Subcommittees
- **Thursday** - 9:00 a.m. - EXECUTIVE  
2:00 p.m. - Other Subcommittees
- **Friday** - 9:00 a.m. - ALC

That concluded the presentation.

**Presentation of RFP for State Budgeting and Revenue Forecasting Consulting Services**

Co-Chair Wardlaw recognized Ms. Jill Thayer, Legal Counsel, Bureau of Legislative Research to present RFP No. BLR-210002 for State Budgeting and Revenue Forecasting Consulting Service. After the presentation, Co-Chair Wardlaw recognized members for questions.

**Co-Chair Wardlaw stated, without objection, the Subcommittee authorized the BLR to begin the consultant services procurement process.**

That concluded the presentation.

**Discussion of Proposed Schedule for Department Reports**

Co-Chair Wardlaw recognized Ms. Marty Garrity, Director, Bureau of Legislative Research to present. Ms. Garrity discussed the proposed schedule for department reports, pursuant to Act 413 of 2021. Co-Chair Wardlaw recognized members for questions.

**Co-Chair Wardlaw stated, without objection, the Executive Subcommittee recommended the proposed schedule (Attachment 1) to the full ALC.**

That concluded the presentation.

There being no further business before the subcommittee, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Terry Rice and Representative Jeff Wardlaw, Executive Subcommittee Co-Chairs

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**Proposed Schedule for Oral Reports by Department Secretaries – ALC**  
*Pursuant to Act 413 of 2021*

**July 23, 2021**

- Department of Human Services, Sec. Cindy Gillespie
- Department of Inspector General, Sec. Elizabeth Smith
- Department of Agriculture, Sec. Wes Ward
- Department of Parks, Heritage & Tourism, Sec. Stacy Hurst

**August 20, 2021**

- Department of Health, Sec. Jose Romero
- Department of Finance & Administration, Sec. Larry Walther
- Department of Energy & Environment, Sec. Becky Keogh
- Department of the Military, Major General Kendall Penn

**September 17, 2021**

- Department of Corrections, Sec. Solomon Graves
- Department of Education, Sec. Johnny Key
- Department of Public Safety, Sec. Jami Cook

**October 15, 2021**

- Department of Transformation and Shared Services, Sec. Amy Fecher
- Department of Commerce, Sec. Mike Preston
- Department of Veterans Affairs, Sec. Nate Todd
- Department of Labor & Licensing, Sec. Daryl Bassett