REPORT

OF THE COMMITTEE ON POLICY MAKING OF THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

August 21, 2019

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Dear Co-Chairs:

The Policy Making Subcommittee of the Arkansas Legislative Council met Wednesday, August 21, 2019, at 11:00 a.m. in Room 272 of the State Capitol Building, Little Rock, Arkansas. Co-Chair Linda Chesterfield called the meeting to order and saw a quorum of members present. The members present are listed on the sign-in sheet.

Co-Chair Chesterfield recognized Senator Jonathan Dismang, Senate Co-Chair of Highway Commission Review and Advisory Subcommittee, to present the request for review of the contract between Guidehouse, LLP and the Bureau of Legislative Research (Exhibit B). Mr. Sagar Gokhale and Mr. Guarav Menon, both of Guidehouse, LLP, were also recognized for comments.

Senator Dismang explained that, in compliance with the August 1 request of the Highway Commission Review and Advisory Subcommittee, Guidehouse, LLP does not have any outstanding litigation to report; Guidehouse, LLP updated the pricing proposal to reflect that it will continue to provide support to the Highway Commission Review and Advisory Subcommittee through December 2020. The proposal brought the maximum contract price to \$722,463.19. Senator Dismang further explained that Guidehouse, LLP returned the risk allocation language that originally appeared in the RFP in addition to its requested language limiting its liability with regard to lost profits, special or punitive damages, or harm resulting from third-party software or hardware. Senator Dismang stated the chairs and staff are satisfied with that language. There were no questions from the members of the subcommittee.

Representative Jim Dotson moved that the Policy-Making Subcommittee recommend approval of the contract between Guidehouse, LLP and the Bureau of Legislative Research. The motion was seconded by Representative Jon S. Eubanks, and passed by voice vote.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Linda Chesterfield, Co-Chair and Representative Ken Bragg, Co-Chair

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