

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**  
**OF THE**  
**ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**Friday, October 25, 2013**

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The Arkansas Legislative Council met at 9:00 a.m., Friday, October 25, 2013 in Committee Room A of the Big Mac Building, Little Rock, Arkansas. Co-Chair Bill Sample called the meeting to order and recognized a quorum of members present.

**Minutes of the Last Meeting**

Co-Chair Sample referred the members to the minutes of the last two Legislative Council meetings on September 20, 2013 (Exhibit C.1) and September 30, 2013 (Exhibit C.2) and asked if there was a motion to approve the minutes. **Representative Terry Rice moved the adoption of the minutes of the meetings on September 20, 2013 and September 30, 2013. The motion was seconded by Senator Cecile Bledsoe and passed by voice vote.**

**Presentation of Revenue Report**

September 2013 Revenue Report

Co-Chair Sample recognized Richard Wilson, Assistant Director for Research Services with the Bureau of Legislative Research, to present the September 2013 monthly revenue report (Exhibit D). Mr. Wilson reported that after three months of fiscal year 2014, gross collections were \$60.3 million dollars ahead of collections for the same period last year for a growth rate of four point two percent (4.2%). The net revenue available for September 2013 was \$53.3 million dollars ahead of the same three-month period last year for a growth rate of four point two percent (4.2%). The first page of the graph shows that after three (3) months collections were about \$30 million dollars ahead of the official forecast. Mr. Wilson reported that the spreadsheet reflects that the current cumulative gross receipts tax rate is a little over six percent (6%) and the income tax rate is a little over three percent (3%). Mr. Wilson responded to a question that the half-cent sales tax approved by the voters in November 2012, which goes directly toward roads, is not included in this report since it is not general revenue. There were no other questions regarding revenue report.

**Standing Subcommittees**

Co-Chair Sample referred members to the reports of the standing subcommittees and stated that reports from the subcommittees meeting during this month would be heard.

Administrative Rules and Regulations Subcommittee

Co-Chair Sample recognized Senator Bruce Maloch to present the report of the Administrative Rules and Regulations Subcommittee (Exhibit F.1). Senator Maloch reported that the Administrative Rules and Regulations Subcommittee met on September 25, 2013 and reviewed the rules from the Economic Development Commission regarding the New Markets Jobs Act of 2013. Senator Maloch reported

that the subcommittee also met on October 10, 2013 and reviewed all agenda items, with the exception of the revisions to rules submitted by the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. The subcommittee referred these rules to the Senate and House Interim Committees on State Agency and Governmental Affairs. There were no questions.

**Senator Bruce Maloch moved that the report of the Subcommittee on Administrative Rules and Regulations be adopted. The motion was seconded by Representative Edwards and passed without objection.**

#### Charitable, Penal and Correctional Institutions Subcommittee

Co-Chair Sample recognized Senator Stephanie Flowers to present the report of the Charitable, Penal and Correctional Institutions Subcommittee (Exhibit F.2). Senator Flowers reported that the Charitable, Penal and Correctional Institutions Subcommittee met on September 26, 2013. During this meeting the subcommittee discussed the impact of Act 570 of 2011 and heard a presentation from Wendy Naro-Ware, with JA Associates, on the Ten-Year Adult Secure Population Projection Report. The subcommittee staff can provide this report upon request. The subcommittee also heard from Sheila Sharp, the Director of the Department of Community Correction, on the mandates and implementation of Act 570.

Representative Flowers reported that the subcommittee met jointly with the State Agencies and Governmental Affairs Committees on October 11, 2013 and on October 12, 2013. The committees toured the East Arkansas Regional Unit in Brickeys, Arkansas on October 11<sup>th</sup>, and then met at the Delta Cultural Center in Helena, Arkansas on October 12<sup>th</sup> for continued discussion on the increase in inmate populations and policy changes implemented within the Department of Community Correction. There were no questions.

**Senator Stephanie Flowers moved that the report of the Charitable, Penal and Correctional Institutions Subcommittee be adopted. The motion was seconded and was passed without objection.**

#### Game and Fish/State Police Subcommittee

Co-Chair Sample recognized Senator David Burnett to present the report of the Game and Fish/State Police Subcommittee (Exhibit F.4). Senator Burnett reported that the Game and Fish/State Police Subcommittee met on October 16, 2013 at the Arkansas State Police Headquarters for discussions with representatives of the Arkansas State Police. The subcommittee did not take any action on the agenda items.

**Senator Burnett moved that the report of the Game and Fish/State Police Subcommittee be adopted. The motion was seconded and was passed without objection.**

#### Higher Education Subcommittee

Co-Chair Sample recognized Senator David Johnson to present the report of the Higher Education Subcommittee (Exhibit F.5). Senator Johnson reported that the Subcommittee on Higher Education met on October 8, 2013 at the University of Arkansas Community College at Morrilton, Arkansas. During this meeting, the subcommittee heard a presentation from Shane Broadway, Director of the Department of Higher Education, on performance and distribution of the funding formula for 4-year

and 2-year institutions of higher education and also held an open discussion with higher education representatives regarding how the funding formula was working. The subcommittee also heard a brief presentation from Dr. Larry Davis, Chancellor of the University of Arkansas Community College at Morrilton.

**Senator David Johnson moved that the report of the Higher Education Subcommittee be adopted. The motion was seconded and passed without objection.**

#### Hospital and Medicaid Study Subcommittee

Co-Chair Sample recognized Representative Greg Leding to present the report of the Hospital and Medicaid Study Subcommittee (Exhibit F.6). Representative Leding reported that the Hospital and Medicaid Study Subcommittee met on September 24, 2013 to discuss the concerns of subcommittee members about the disqualification of a vendor from bidding on an \$80 million contract to replace the Arkansas Medicaid claims and data processing system. The members' concerns were in regard to the process used by the State Procurement Office to disqualify the bid from Client Network Services, Inc. (CNSI) based on a negative reference from procurement officials in the State of Louisiana, and also concerns that an Arkansas procurement official inaccurately described comments from an official from the State of Utah about that company's work.

The subcommittee heard from Richard Weiss, Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, who stated the information from the State of Utah was a minor consideration in the decision by the Arkansas State Procurement Office to disqualify CNSI and that the State Procurement Office did not adhere to their own policy to verify all references.

The subcommittee also heard from Adnan Ahmed, Chief Executive Officer of CNSI, who stated that the company had never been contacted about a federal investigation and that the State of Louisiana officials had hastily terminated their contract. He also commented that his company had spent more than \$1 million in preparing their proposal for the State of Arkansas. Representative Leding reported that the subcommittee members had many questions and that there was a lengthy discussion of their concerns. There were no questions.

**Representative Leding moved that the report of the Hospital and Medicaid Study Subcommittee be adopted. The motion was seconded and passed without objection.**

#### Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review (PEER) Subcommittee

Co-Chair Sample recognized Senator Bruce Maloch to present the report of the Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review (PEER) Subcommittee (Exhibit F.8). Senator Maloch reported that the PEER Subcommittee met on October 3, 2013 and the subcommittee approved the appropriation transfer request from the Department of Education. All other agenda items were reviewed. There were no questions.

**Senator Bruce Maloch moved that the report of the Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review (PEER) Subcommittee be adopted. The motion was seconded and was passed without objection.**

Review Subcommittee

Co-Chair Sample recognized Representative Terry Rice to present the report of the Review Subcommittee. Representative Rice reported that the Review Subcommittee met on October 2, 2013 and reviewed all agenda items and none were held at that time. Representative Rice reported that the Chief Fiscal Officer of State requested an expedited review of a contract between the University of Arkansas and APCO (Beijing) Consulting, which was reviewed by the subcommittee on October 2<sup>nd</sup> and which needed to be executed before the Legislative Council meeting that was rescheduled to October 25<sup>th</sup> to avoid a conflict with the First Extraordinary Session of 2013. Representative Rice reported that the contract was reviewed on October 21, 2013 by emergency procedures and the action is included as a part of the Review Subcommittee Report before the Legislative Council today.

**Representative Terry Rice moved that the report of the Review Subcommittee be adopted.**

**Co-Chair Sample recognized Senator Jim Hendren who moved that items c through g under the methods of finance on the page one of the Review Subcommittee Report be held for review at the November 2013 meeting to allow answers to be provided to questions from the Legislative Council regarding these item and to questions posed by the Legislative Council to the University of Arkansas Fayetteville regarding the loan program towards book stores. The motion was seconded and the motion was passed without objection.**

Personnel Subcommittee

Co-Chair Sample recognized Uvalde Lindsey to present the report of the Uniform Personnel Classification and Compensation Plan Subcommittee (Exhibit F.11). Senator Lindsey reported that the Personnel Subcommittee met on October 16, 2013 and reviewed the following: reports of grid movements; provisional position reports; reports from the Department of Finance and Administration on special entry rates for exceptionally well-qualified candidates; request by the Public Service Commission and the Department of Human Services for swap pool positions; and a request from the Arkansas Medical Board for two new positions from the DFA growth pool. Senator Lindsey reported that a net reduction of three positions within state government was result of these actions. Senator Lindsey reported that the subcommittee heard and granted the request by the Southeast Arkansas College for two new positions from the Higher Education Central Pool.

Senator Lindsey reported that the subcommittee also met on October 23, 2013 to discuss Interim Study Proposal 2013-162, which is an examination of the employment and funding structure for court reporters and trial court assistants. The subcommittee took no action at this meeting, but held a discussion with members of the Judicial Council, appointed circuit judges, and the Administrative Office of the Courts concerning the gathering of data and common points of interest. Senator Lindsey stated the subcommittee will meet on November 14, 2013 to continue the discussion and to review further reports. There were no questions.

**Senator Uvalde Lindsey moved that the report of the Uniform Personnel Classification and Compensation Plan Subcommittee be adopted. The motion was seconded and was passed without objection.**

At this point, Co-Chair Sample referred members to the Review Subcommittee Report and asked for a motion that the Review Subcommittee Report be adopted excluding items c through g under the methods of finance on the page one of the Review Subcommittee Report.

**Representative Greg Leding moved that the Review Subcommittee Report be adopted excluding items c through g listed under the methods of finance on page one of the Review Subcommittee Report. The motion was seconded by Representative Rice and passed without objection.**

### **Reports of Interim or Special Committees**

#### Arkansas Veterans' Home Task Force

Co-Chair Sample recognized Senator Jane English to present the report of the Arkansas Veterans' Home Task Force (Exhibit G.1). Senator English reported that the Arkansas Veterans' Home Task Force met from May until October and had a number of federally-recognized military organizations represented on the task force, along with legislators and representatives of state agencies. Senator English reported that the task force met often, but did not accomplish as much as hoped. Senator English reported that the goals remaining to be met include: the location of a site for a new veterans' home; the cost and design of the facility, a business plan and the funding of the business plan; a marketing plan; and the submission of the federal application that is due next month.

**Senator Jane English moved to suspend the rules and the motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.**

**Senator Jane English moved that a Special Subcommittee of the Legislative Council on Arkansas Veterans' Home be created and that it be comprised of five (5) members each from the House and the Senate in addition to the Senate and House Co-Chairs and the Senate and House Vice-Chairs of the Legislative Council who will serve as ex officio members with the members chosen by the Co-Chairs of the Legislative Council. The motion was seconded and passed by a voice vote.**

Following the vote, Senator English stated in response to questions from Senator Flowers that: the task force had made an initial request for proposed site locations, but none of the four sites selected met with the approval of Arkansas Department of Veterans Affairs; a new process has begun and the request for site proposals has been sent out to all of the communities; the proposals must be submitted by November 22, 2013, which will be reviewed by the end of the year; and the application to the federal government must be submitted by December 2013.

### **Review of Communications**

Co-Chair Sample referred members to the communications listed as items H.1 through H.23 on the agenda and stated that item H.5, submitted by the Arkansas State Parks Division is the first that requires action by the Legislative Council.

#### Arkansas State Parks Division

Co-Chair Sample recognized Greg Butts, Director of the Arkansas State Parks Division, to explain the request (Exhibit H.5). Mr. Butts identified himself and stated the request before the committee is a request for the Legislative Council's advice concerning the priority land acquisitions for the Division of State Parks at three state park locations. Mr. Butts responded to questions concerning the purchase of the former Hempstead County Jail that is a historic building constructed in 1874 and currently

operated as a bed and breakfast business. Mr. Butts also responded to a question that condemnation of the property is a option of last resort available to the Division of State Parks.

**Representative Terry Rice moved that the Legislative Council give favorable advice on the priority land acquisitions at the Historic Washington State Park, the Powhatan Historic State Park, and the Jacksonport State Park as presented. The motion was seconded by Senator Sample and passed without objection.**

#### Arkansas Teacher Retirement System

Co-Chair Sample stated the next items requiring action are two requests from the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System for review of investments (Exhibit H.7a and Exhibit H.7b). Co-Chair Sample recognized George Hopkins, Executive Director of the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System.

Mr. Hopkins identified himself and explained the first request is submitted pursuant to A.C.A § 19-11-1303 for the Legislative Council's retrospective review of the imminent need transfer of the general partner of CSFB-ATRS Fund of Funds, L.P. to Grosvenor Capital Management, L.P. (Exhibit H.7a). Mr. Hopkins explained this is a current investment with Credit Swiss in 2005 and 2006 in which the ATRS has invested approximately \$483 million, with another \$110 million that can be called. Mr. Hopkins explained that Credit Swiss was required to shed all of its non-core banking due to regulators and a hedge fund in Chicago, Grosvenor Capital Management, L.P., bought the CFG Group that includes the two ATRS investments. Mr. Hopkins stated the ATRS is currently in a 45-day negotiation period attempting to significantly lower the seventy-five (75) basis point fee, which is three quarters of one percent. Mr. Hopkins stated they are close to consenting to the transfer with a significantly-reduced fee or not consenting and moving to a new general partner. There were no questions.

**Representative Terry Rice moved that the Legislative Council file as reviewed the transfer of the general partner of CSFB-ATRS Fund of Funds, L.P. to Grosvenor Capital Management, L.P.. Senator Sample seconded the motion and the motion passed without objection.**

Mr. Hopkins continued his explanation with the request submitted pursuant to A.C.A § 19-11-1302 for the Legislative Council's review of the partial equity ownership investments with UBS AgriVest Farmland Fund, Inc. and Allianz Structured Alpha U.S. Equity 500, LLC (Exhibit H.7b). Mr. Hopkins explained that the ATRS currently has a manager with approximately \$500 million that does a structured alpha product that holds the equivalent of the S&P 500 index and which is a net seller of options into that index. Mr. Hopkins stated the current rate of return has been two and a half percent (2.5%) above the S&P 500 net return. Mr. Hopkins stated that the fees paid by the ATRS is only an incentive fee, which is a thirty (30) basis point fee or a three tenths of one percent (0.3%). The ATRS currently has all their assets in the 250 product, which means they expect a return of two and half above the S&P 500 index and that has been done. Mr. Hopkins stated the ATRS has taken a lot of active risk out of their portfolio due to terminating managers and indexing, and they needed more active risk. The ATRS has taken about twenty percent (20%), which is approximately \$100 million, and invested in a Structured Alpha 500 fund, which means the ATRS expects this fund to accrue over time a benefit to the ATRS of five percent (5%) above the S&P 500 index. Mr. Hopkins stated this fund is good because the ATRS does not pay a fee unless a return is realized of five percent above the S&P 500 index. Mr. Hopkins answered questions from the committee.

Co-Chair Sample recognized Representative Andrea Lea who asked why the requests for review of the ATRS investments were filed directly with the Legislative Council and were not referred to the Joint

Committee on Public Retirement and Social Security Programs for review. Co-Chair Sample recognized Marty Garrity, Director of the Bureau of Legislative Research, who responded that the statute requires that these requests be submitted only to the Legislative Council and does not have a requirement for a review by other committees. Ms. Garrity explained further that the requests are generally submitted directly to the Legislative Council and that the Legislative Council could refer the requests to the Joint Committee on Public Retirement and Social Security Programs.

Co-Chair Sample recognized Mr. Hopkins for an explanation of the investment with UBS AgriVest Farmland Fund, Inc. and he explained that the ATRS Board voted to invest up to \$50 million in this fund, which charges a straight one percent (1%) fee. Mr. Hopkins stated this fund, as of today, owns 10,000 acres of Arkansas farmland and the ATRS wished to invest in this fund in order to diversify. Mr. Hopkins stated that the ATRS would not be able to get into the fund for approximately one year because there is an investment queue where there are more people wanting in the fund than are buying assets. Mr. Hopkins stated that the ATRS wanted to invest one percent (1%) of its assets in agriculture and the ATRS currently has a \$100 million allocation for farmland with the farmland manager, Halderman that is in Wabash, Indiana. Mr. Hopkins stated this fund has historically returned about eleven point two percent (11.2%) and it helps to diversify the ATRS farmland allocation.

Co-Chair Sample stated that he saw no questions and asked for a motion. **Senator English moved that the Legislative Council file as reviewed the investment with UBS AgriVest Farmland Fund, Inc. and the motion was seconded.**

Co-Chair Sample recognized Representative Douglas House who asked if the ATRS had to lay out \$50 million in cash for a year with the fund before the money is invested or is there a letter of credit. Mr. Hopkins responded that since the ATRS is an institutional investor that is not necessary. Mr. Hopkins explained the UBS has indicated that if the ATRS submitted the investment paperwork today, it would be a year or a year and a half before any of the money is drawn from ATRS and they would be notified by a wire transfer request that is called a capital call. Mr. Hopkins stated that it is possible that the entire \$50 million would not be drawn on the initial capital call. Representative House also asked if the ATRS could back out of the contract once it is signed and Mr. Hopkins responded that they would not back out of the contract, but that the ATRS is not required to put up the money because UBS knows that the ATRS has the liquidity to provide the funds when UBS requests it. Representative House asked if the ATRS could back out of the contract when the capital call is received from UBS if the ATRS feels the performance of UBS is not as good as expected. Mr. Hopkins responded that stated he could not answer with a hundred percent certainty whether the ATRS would have to invest the funds and then draw it back out right away.

Co-Chair Sample recognized Representative Hutchison who asked if the ATRS would have to commit to the investment of funds in UBS if the ATRS determines that this was not a good investment. Mr. Hopkins responded that he was not certain because this is an open end fund, but that he would have to check further into the details of the investment.

**Co-Chair Sample called for the vote on the motion that the Legislative Council file as reviewed the investment with UBS AgriVest Farmland Fund, Inc. and the motion was passed by a voice vote.**

There were no questions in regard to the other communications on the agenda.

## Supplemental Agenda

Co-Chair Sample referred members to the Supplemental Agenda and to the request submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 22-6-601(h)(2)(C) for the Legislative Council's review and approval of the sale of the Arkansas Services Center by the Arkansas Department of Human Services (Exhibit A.1). Co-Chair Sample recognized John Selig, Director of the Department of Human Services, to explain the request.

Mr. Selig explained that this request is in regard to the sale of property in Jonesboro, Arkansas, which is the Arkansas Services Center and which was built in the late 1960's for use as a multi-use facility for a number of state agencies. Mr. Selig stated that now the facility has deteriorated and that all of the state agencies wanted to relocate once it was paid off, which occurred in about 2010. Mr. Selig stated that in 2011, all of the state agencies vacated the building and it was put up for sale and it has been on the market for two years and no bid had been received that was equal to the reappraisal amount. Mr. Selig described the property as a forty acre plot of land with a 150,000 square foot building and that everyone agrees the building will have to be demolished and abated. Mr. Selig stated that there is a bid to purchase the property for \$1,691,000.00, which is quite a bit more than earlier bids in the amounts of about \$100,000.00 and about \$800,000.00 although still below the appraised value. Mr. Selig stated that is the highest bid received in two years and the state institutional system board that is over DHS facilities believes the bid should be accepted and the Arkansas Building Authority agrees with this decision. Mr. Selig stated that the Department of Human and Services and the Governor's Office is requesting the Legislative Council's approval to sell the property for this amount. Mr. Selig answered questions from the committee.

Co-Chair Sample asked if there was motion and recognized Senator David Burnett. **Senator David Burnett moved that the Legislative Council file as reviewed the request submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 22-6-601(h)(2)(C) for the Legislative Council's review and approval of the sale of the Arkansas Services Center by the Arkansas Department of Human Services located in Jonesboro, Arkansas. The motion was seconded and passed by a voice vote.**

Co-Chair Sample asked if there were any other items for discussion and recognized Representative Terry Rice. Representative Rice asked if someone from the Department of Community Corrections and the Department of Correction could come forward to answer questions regarding an article published in today's Arkansas Democrat-Gazette newspaper.

Co-Chair Sample recognized Ms. Sheila Sharp, Director of the Department of Community Correction, Ms Dina Tyler, Deputy Director for the Department of Community Correction, and Ms. Shay Wilson, Public Information Officer for the Department of Correction. Representative Rice stated that he wanted to give these people an opportunity to respond to the information stated in the newspaper article and he also asked for an update on the status on the rule for early release.

Ms. Sheila Sharp provided the following information:

- The Little Rock area probation and parole office had been excluded from the Board of Corrections update on the ninety-day EPA and the one-year early release because the Department of Community Correction wanted to make sure that they are in good shape there in terms of supervision.
- There are 20 officers in the academy and as soon as they graduate in about six weeks, the case load ratio will be in better shape in this office.

- When the total case load system is reviewed state wide, the average case load is at 118, and the average should be no more than 60 to have good supervision.
- There has been tremendous growth and there over 2,000 backed up in county jails, with a lot of those due to parole revocations.
- It is correct that, due to the a law passed in the last session, parole revocation hearings are mandatory when a parolee is arrested for violent offenses or sex offenses.
- The policy adopted by the board after the enactment of the law requires a parole revocation hearing for any felony arrest and also for evading supervision warrants.

Ms. Dina Tyler provided the following information:

- The policy on petitions for revocation of parole is part of the reason for the backup of inmates in county jails. The policy that was adopted by the Board of Corrections has meant more revocations, but some of the backup is due to normal growth.
- The Board felt the policy was needed to ensure public safety. A review of the policy is the purview of the Arkansas Parole Board.
- A parolee may have an attorney present at their revocation hearing. A judge must make the decision to revoke probation.

Ms. Shay Wilson provided the following information:

- There are 2,144 inmates backed up in the county jails and additional bed space will be needed.
- There are about 446 existing beds that could be opened if there was funding for them and there are approximately 550 beds that would be available if the diagnostic unit was renovated and reopened.
- There is about \$4 million available to begin phase one of the renovation of the diagnostic unit, but additional money would be needed to complete the project.
- There are three phases in the renovation project. The first phase would be working on structural issues with the building and the HVAC unit.
- The Department of Correction has considered funding options for renovating the diagnostic center in Pine Bluff that includes both an independent architect and the use of inmate labor.
- The estimates for the renovation are now approximately between \$16 million and \$18 million.

Mr. Frank Ellis, the Audit Manager and Interim Director for Administrative Services with the Department of Correction, was recognized and provided the following information:

- The Department of Correction is in the process of looking at several different options for funding the renovation project.
- Typically in prison construction, the Department of Correction has used the Prison Construction Trust Fund, that is administered by the Arkansas Development Finance Authority (ADFA), which now has an available balance of approximately \$4.2 million. This would provide approximately \$4 million to start the renovation project.
- The Department of Correction worked with architect Glen Lockerbie on this project and the current estimate is \$16 million with the use of inmate labor. The estimate for using free-world labor is \$18 million.

Senator David Sanders asked to be provided a breakdown of the number of revocation hearings that align with the law that was passed as compared to the number of hearings due to the new policy that was adopted by the board, such as non-violent offenses. Ms. Tyler agreed to provide this information.

### **New Proposals and Resolutions**

Co-Chair Sample referred members to the new interim study proposals in their packets and asked if there was a motion to refer these to the appropriate committee.

**Senator Linda Chesterfield moved that Interim Study Proposal 2013-172 (Exhibit J.1) by Senator Joyce Elliott and Representative Ann Clemmer be referred to the Higher Education Subcommittee of the Legislative Council. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.**

**Senator Linda Chesterfield moved that Interim Study Proposal 2013-174 (Exhibit J.2) by Representative Jim Nickels be referred to the Interim House Committee on Insurance and Commerce. The motion was seconded and passed by a voice vote.**

**Senator Linda Chesterfield moved to suspend the rules to allow the consideration of Interim Study Proposal 2013-175 without six (6) days prior notice. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.**

**Senator Linda Chesterfield moved that Interim Study Proposal 2013-175 (Exhibit B.1 on the Supplemental Agenda), by Senator Bill Sample be referred to the Higher Education Subcommittee of the Legislative Council. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.**

### **Announcement**

Co-Chair Sample announced that the State and Public School Life and Health Insurance Task Force is meeting immediately upon adjournment of the Legislative Council meeting in Committee Room B in the Big Mac Building.

### **Adjournment**

Co-Chair Sample stated the business before the Legislative Council is concluded and the next Legislative Council meeting is scheduled for November 15, 2013. The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m. there is no further business to come before the committee.

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

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Senator Bill Sample  
Co-Chair, Senate

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Marty Garrity  
Executive Secretary