

**REPORT
OF THE
POLICY-MAKING SUBCOMMITTEE
OF THE
ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

October 14, 2008

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Dear Co-Chairs:

The Subcommittee on Policy Making of the Arkansas Legislative Council met upon adjournment of the Joint Budget Hearings morning session, Tuesday, October 14, 2008 in Room 272 of the State Capitol. The members present are listed on the sign-in sheet.

The committee discussed payment of members-elect attendance at interim committee meetings. **Senator Whitaker made a motion that a member-elect of the General Assembly may receive mileage and per diem for attending an interim committee of the General Assembly or a legislative task force for which members of the General Assembly are entitled to mileage and per diem. However, a member-elect who resides 50 miles or less from the State Capitol or meeting site is not entitled to per diem and mileage for attending the meeting. The mileage and per diem shall be payable from unallocated funds from the appropriation for interim committee expenses. A person is not considered a member-elect until after the general election or special election in which that person successfully ran for office.**

The subcommittee reviewed the interim committee balances and interim study proposals filed directly with committees for germaneness. No actions were necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Roy Ragland, House Co-Chair

Senator Paul Miller, Senate Co-Chair