

**MINUTES****DATA SHARING & DATA-DRIVEN DECISION MAKING TASK FORCE****Wednesday, November 6, 2019****9:00 A.M.****Room 171, State Capitol****Little Rock, AR**

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**Committee Members Present:** **Senators** Jane English, Co-Chair; Lance Eads, Greg Leding and James Sturch **Representatives** Stephen Meeks, Co-Chair; Karilyn Brown, Fredrick Love and David Whitaker

**Other Legislators Present:** **Senator** Kim Hammer **Representative** David Fielding

Senator English called the meeting to order.

A motion to approve the October 9, 2019, Task Force Meeting Minutes was made by Senator Leding and seconded by Senator Eads. The motion carried.

**Presentation over Updates from the Data and Transparency Panel [Handout 1]**

- Ms. Adita Karkera, Deputy Chief Data Officer, DIS provided an update on the Data and Transparency Panel (DTP). The 2019 Invest in What Works State Standard of Excellence, Results for America identified 125 examples of data-driven and evidence-based practices, policies, programs, and systems in effect as of June 2019 in 33 states across the country. The top five states leading the way are Colorado, Minnesota, Oregon, Utah, and Washington. Arkansas was identified as a promising example of data use for three specific criteria: the first is having a statewide data portal followed by creating the DTP, creating the Data-Sharing and Data-Driven Decision-Making Task Force and legislation for allowing the sharing of criminal justice data with noncriminal justice agencies.
- The DTP recommended that each agency should have one employee to serve as the Agency Data Officer. These Data Officers are members of the State Data Governing Steering Committee which is a subcommittee of the DTP. The DTP further explained that they wish for each state agency to continue to autonomously create their own governance framework, but simultaneously work in collaboration with the Steering Committee. All agencies contributing to the database effort have been given access to the existing catalog, while at the same time, more agencies are showing interest.
- Act 936 of 2019 required the DTP to create a Longitudinal Data System (LDS) for the State of Arkansas. The system's focuses are centered on: education workforce outcomes, better understanding of the evolving needs of Arkansas' economy in terms of education and employment opportunities. The DTP has decided to create a sub-panel (State Longitudinal Data System Sub-panel) (SLDS), in which the sole focus is creating a blue-print for the LDS. Currently, the SLDS is determining what data assets need to be defined and added to the LDS system. The key implementation considerations are data-sharing agreements, data security policies, data privacy policies, data governance, funding consideration, identification standards, data quality standards, data dictionary and technology.

Senator English inquired if the SLDS will have their cost proposal by February 2020. DIS stated they would aim for that deadline.

**Data-Sharing and Data-Driven Decision-Making Task Force Report [Exhibit D]**

Senator English requested all task force members to review the report for future discussion. The sunset date for the task force is December 31, 2019.

Next Data Sharing and Data-Driven Decision-Making Task Force Meeting is December 10, 2019, at 1:00 PM.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:45 AM.

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