

**ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
LEGISLATIVE BUDGET AND AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Anchorage, Alaska

June 23, 2015

10:38 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Representative Mike Hawker, Chair
Senator Anna MacKinnon, Vice Chair
Representative Kurt Olson
Representative Steve Thompson
Representative Sam Kito
Representative Lance Pruitt
Senator Bert Stedman

MEMBERS ABSENT

Senator Lyman Hoffman
Senator Cathy Giessel
Senator Click Bishop
Representative Mark Neuman (alternate)
Senator Pete Kelly (alternate)

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
EXECUTIVE SESSION
OTHER COMMITTEE BUSINESS

PREVIOUS COMMITTEE ACTION

No previous action to record

WITNESS REGISTER

No witnesses to record

ACTION NARRATIVE

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CHAIR MIKE HAWKER called the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee meeting to order at 10:38 a.m. Representatives Hawker, Olson, Thompson, and Kito, and Senators MacKinnon and Stedman were present at the call to order. Representative Pruitt arrived as the meeting was in progress.

Approval of Minutes

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CHAIR HAWKER announced that the first order of business would be the approval of the minutes.

SENATOR MACKINNON made a motion that the minutes on May 7, 2015, May 13, 2015, and May 14, 2015, be approved as presented. There being no objection, the minutes from the meetings on May 7, 2015, May 13, 2015, and May 14, 2015, were approved.

Executive Session

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CHAIR HAWKER announced that the next order of business would be an executive session.

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SENATOR MACKINNON made a motion to move to executive session under Uniform Rule 22(b)(1) and (b)(3) as the meeting will involve a discussion of matters which the immediate knowledge of would adversely affect the finances of a government unit, as well as a discussion of confidential audit reports under AS 24.20.301. There being no objection, the committee went into executive session at 10:41 a.m.

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CHAIR HAWKER brought the committee back to order at 12:06 p.m. Representatives Thompson, Olson, Pruitt, Kito and Hawker, and Senator MacKinnon were present at the call back to order.

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SENATOR MACKINNON made a motion to move that the following final audits be released to the public: Alaska Public Offices Commission, and Alaska Commission on Aging, Sunset. There being no objection, the audits were ordered released.

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SENATOR MACKINNON made a motion that the following preliminary audit be released to the appropriate agency for response: Board of Parole, Sunset. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

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SENATOR MACKINNON made a motion that the committee approve the performance review scopes for the Department of Education and Early Development, including the Commission on Postsecondary Education, and the Alaska Student Loan Corporation as presented in Executive Session. There being no objection, those scopes stand approved.

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SENATOR MACKINNON moved the committee to authorize the Legislative Auditor to solicit and award a contract for an amount not to exceed \$300,000 for a performance review of the Department of Education and Early Development. There being no objection, it is so ordered.

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SENATOR MACKINNON moved the committee to authorize the Legislative Auditor to solicit and award a contract for an amount not to exceed \$175,000 for a performance review of the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education, and the Alaska Student Loan Corporation. There being no objection, it is so ordered.

Other Committee Business

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CHAIR HAWKER reported that the Medicaid Request for Proposal (RFP) is out, and is due back July 6, 2015. The final report from the education consultants hired under the authority of [the 28th Alaska State Legislature's House Bill 278] will be presented during the next Legislative Budget and Audit Committee meeting, he advised.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the committee, the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee meeting was adjourned at 12:11 p.m.