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**Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Subcommittee**

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9:00am

Blatt Room 108

### **Archived Video Available**

- I. Pursuant to House Legislative Oversight Committee Rule 6.8, South Carolina ETV was allowed access for streaming the meeting. You may access an archived video of this meeting by visiting the South Carolina General Assembly's website (<http://www.scstatehouse.gov>) and clicking on *Committee Postings and Reports*, then under *House Standing Committees* click on *Legislative Oversight*. Then, click on *Video Archives* for a listing of archived videos for the Committee.

### **Attendance**

- I. The Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Subcommittee meeting was called to order by Chairman Edward R. Tallon, Sr. , on Tuesday, May 2, 2017, in Room 108 of the Blatt Building. The following members of the Subcommittee were present for either all or a portion of the meeting: Chairman Tallon, Representative Kathrine Arrington, and Representative William M. Hixon.

### **Minutes**

- I. House Rule 4.5 requires standing committees to prepare and make available to the public the minutes of committee meetings, but the minutes do not

have to be verbatim accounts of meetings. It is the practice of the Legislative Oversight Committee to provide minutes for its subcommittee meetings.

- II. Representative Arrington makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the prior Subcommittee meeting.

Rep. Arrington’s motion to approve the minutes from the April 26, 2017 meeting:	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Arrington	✓		
Rep. Hixon	✓		
Rep. Rutherford			Not Present
Rep. Tallon	✓		

**Discussion of the Law Enforcement Training Council and Criminal Justice Academy**

- I. Chairman Tallon reminds agency personnel who were sworn in during prior meetings that they remain under oath anytime they are with the subcommittee or Committee.
- II. Chairman Tallon asks questions about the Academy’s facilities, including, but not limited to, leaks in the roofs and showers, that Lennie Hicks, Facilities Operations Manager, answers.
- III. Director Swindler and other Academy personnel including Deputy Director Mike Lanier, CFO Tom McQueen, and General Counsel Jimmy Fennell provide information on the following:
  - a. Goal #3;
  - b. Personnel Change in Status forms when individuals are hired at law enforcement agencies. General Counsel Fennel notes biggest issue is not being notified when law enforcement entities around the state hire new officers, despite state law requiring this notification within three days of the hire;
  - c. Personnel Change in Status forms when individuals separate from a law enforcement agency. Academy believes agencies are reporting better because of continued emphasis during training;
  - d. Funds the Academy receives which are unrelated to the Academy’s strategic plan and passed through to ETV; and
  - e. Fines and fees the Academy receives as part of its funding.

Subcommittee members ask questions which Academy personnel answer.

- IV. Members make various motions during the meeting which are listed below.

Rep. Arrington's motion that the Subcommittee Study include a recommendation that the agency research and implement a way to allow agencies to complete personnel change in status information via a web based form and the Training Council create formulas and rules in the database which will increase the ability to analyze the information including, but not limited to, trends in officer separations and notification of officers who are frequently moving between agencies, which may indicate an individual leaving prior to disciplinary action:	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Arrington	✓		
Rep. Hixon	✓		
Rep. Rutherford			Not Present
Rep. Tallon	✓		

Rep. Arrington's motion that the Subcommittee Study include a recommendation that the General Assembly remove the pass through of funds to ETV from the Law Enforcement Training Council and Criminal Justice Academy's section of the General Appropriations Act and have those funds go directly to ETV in ETV's section of the General Appropriations Act:	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Arrington	✓		
Rep. Hixon	✓		
Rep. Rutherford			Not Present
Rep. Tallon	✓		

V. The meeting is adjourned.