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Department of Corrections Ad Hoc Subcommittee

**Wednesday, May 29, 2019
10:30 a.m.
Blatt Room 110**

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. Ad hoc subcommittee Chairman Edward R. Tallon, Sr., calls the Department of Corrections Ad Hoc Subcommittee meeting to order on Wednesday, May 29, 2019, in Room 110 of the Blatt Building. The following members are present during all or part of the meeting: Ad hoc subcommittee Chairman Tallon, Representative Gary E. Clary, Representative Micajah P. "Micah" Caskey, IV, Representative Chandra E. Dillard, Representative Joseph H. Jefferson, Jr., and Representative Robert Q. Williams. Representative Jeffrey E. "Jeff" Johnson, an attorney, was absent due to a court proceeding.

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 Clary moves to approve the minutes from the prior Subcommittee meeting. A roll call vote is held, and the motion passes.

Rep. Clary moves to approve the minutes from the Subcommittee's May 14, 2019, meeting:	Yea	Nay	Not Voting (Absent)
Rep. Clary	✓		
Rep. Caskey	✓		
Rep. Dillard	✓		
Rep. Jefferson	✓		
Rep. Johnson			✓
Rep. Tallon	✓		
Rep. Williams	✓		

Discussion of the S.C. Department of Corrections

- I. Ad hoc subcommittee Chairman Tallon explains the purpose of today's meeting is to ask questions related to information presented during the last meeting and for the Department of Corrections (SCDC) to continue presenting information about its operations organizational unit.
- II. Ad hoc subcommittee Chairman Tallon explains that all testimony given to this subcommittee, which is an investigating committee, must be under oath. He reminds agency personnel previously sworn in that they remain under oath. Subcommittee Chairman Tallon swears in Ms. Dayne Haile, Executive Assistant to the Director
- III. Members ask questions about the status of updating the inmate classification system as follow-up to information presented during the previous meeting. Mr. Joel Anderson, SCDC Director of Operations, responds to members' questions.
- IV. Mr. Joel Anderson, SCDC Director of Operations, continues the agency's presentation on its operations organizational unit, with the assistance of other agency personnel from that unit, which includes, but not limited to:
 - a. Young Offender Parole and Reentry Services

- i. Establish youthful offender division
 - ii. Appoint agents to supervise youthful offenders
 - iii. Shock incarceration
 - b. Institutional and security operations
 - c. Division of Security and Emergency Services - Overview
 - i. Deliverables provided by Security and Emergency Services
 - d. Division of Institutional Operations - Overview
 - i. Humane treatment of inmates
 - 1. Feeding inmates
 - 2. Recreation time
 - 3. Pay phone calls
 - 4. Mediums of exchange between inmates
 - ii. Safe conduct and welfare
 - 1. Utilize money for security upgrades
 - 2. Overview of convictions for which SCDC inmates are incarcerated
 - 3. Contraband
 - 4. Trespasser and loiters
 - 5. Prohibit inmate use of internet social networking sites to contact victims
 - 6. Monitor and enforce inmate jewelry policies
 - 7. Investigate inmates throwing bodily fluid
 - iii. Establish and enforce rules to prevent disorders, riots
- V. Members ask questions which Mr. Anderson and other agency personnel answer
- VI. There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned.