



South Carolina House of Representatives Legislative Oversight Committee

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MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, December 20, 2023
Blatt Room 110

Archived Video Available

- I. Pursuant to House Legislative Oversight Committee Rule 4.7, 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

- II. The public input meeting of the House Legislative Oversight Committee was called to order by Chair Jeffrey E. “Jeff” Johnson. All members of the Committee were present for all or a portion of the meeting, except: Representative April Cromer and Representative Chris Wooten.

Minutes

- III. 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.

Representative Leon Douglas “Doug” Gilliam makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the March 9, 2023, meeting. A roll call vote was held, and the motion passed.

Rep. Gilliam motion to approve the minutes from the March 9, 2023, meeting	Yea	Nay	Not Voting/Not Present
Rep. Bailey	✓		
Rep. Brewer	✓		
Rep. Cromer	✓		
Rep. Garvin	✓		
Rep. Gilliam	✓		
Rep. Guest			Not Present
Rep. Hixon			Not Present
Rep. Jefferson	✓		
Rep. Johnson			Not Present
Rep. Jones	✓		
Rep. Kirby	✓		
Rep. Magnuson			Not Present
Rep. McCravy			Not Present
Rep. McGinnis			Not Present
Rep. Morgan			Not Present
Rep. Moore	✓		
Rep. Ott	✓		
Rep. Pendarvis	✓		
Rep. Smith	✓		
Rep. Wooten	✓		

IV. Agency Studies

Jobs Economic Development Authority (JEDA) Study:

- Representative Moore presented the findings and recommendations of the subcommittee's study on JEDA.
- Key takeaways included JEDA's low public profile despite its four-decade existence and role in promoting economic development through tax-exempt bonds.
- Subtopics covered JEDA's programs (Industrial Revenue Bond Program, Taxable Bond Program, State Small Business Credit Initiative), bond issuance process, self-funded structure, board composition, and relationships with non-profit entities like Invest SC.
- The subcommittee proposed 10 recommendations, focusing on modernizing laws governing JEDA, clarifying its role, and addressing potential conflicts of interest in leadership positions.

- Representative Kambrell Garvin makes a motion to approve the JEDA study report and its associated findings and recommendations as presented. A roll call vote was held, and the motion passed.

Rep. Garvin makes a motion to approve the JEDA study report and its associated findings and recommendations as presented.	Yea	Nay	Not Voting/Not Present
Rep. Bailey	✓		
Rep. Brewer	✓		
Rep. Cromer			Not Present
Rep. Garvin	✓		
Rep. Gilliam	✓		
Rep. Guest	✓		
Rep. Hixon	✓		
Rep. Jefferson	✓		
Rep. Johnson			
Rep. Jones	✓		
Rep. Kirby	✓		
Rep. Magnuson	✓		
Rep. McCravy	✓		
Rep. McGinnis			Not Present
Rep. Morgan	✓		
Rep. Moore	✓		
Rep. Ott	✓		
Rep. Pendarvis	✓		
Rep. Smith			Not Present
Rep. Wooten			Not Present

Department on Aging Study:

- Representative Jefferson presented the findings and recommendations of the subcommittee's study on the Department of Aging.
- Key takeaways highlighted the need for a more integrated approach between the Department, Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs), and service providers, particularly given the projected growth in the senior population.
- Subtopics addressed the high turnover rate of agency directors, challenges in the direct care workforce (low pay, recruitment, and retention), the impact of a growing senior population on

services, and the need for better data collection and strategic planning.

- The subcommittee put forth 24 recommendations, emphasizing improved communication and collaboration, strategic planning, workforce development, addressing home modification needs for seniors, and modernization of relevant laws.

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- Representative Joseph H. “Joe” Jefferson makes to approve the Department on Aging study report and its associated findings and recommendations as presented. A roll call vote was held, and the motion passed.

Rep. Jefferson makes a motion to approve the Department on Aging study report and its associated findings and recommendations as presented.	Yea	Nay	Not Voting/Not Present
Rep. Bailey	✓		
Rep. Brewer	✓		
Rep. Cromer			Not Present
Rep. Garvin	✓		
Rep. Gilliam	✓		
Rep. Guest	✓		
Rep. Hixon	✓		
Rep. Jefferson	✓		
Rep. Johnson			
Rep. Jones	✓		
Rep. Kirby	✓		
Rep. Magnuson	✓		
Rep. McCravy	✓		
Rep. McGinnis			Not Present
Rep. Morgan	✓		
Rep. Moore	✓		
Rep. Ott	✓		
Rep. Pendarvis	✓		
Rep. Smith	✓		
Rep. Wooten			Not Present

Adjournment

- There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned.