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**Economic Development, Transportation, and Natural Resources Subcommittee
Monday, November 20, 2017
10:00 am
Blatt Room 427**

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 Economic Development, Transportation, and Natural Resources Subcommittee meeting was called to order by Chair Bruce W. Bannister on Monday, November 20, 2017, in Room 427 of the Blatt Building. The following members of the Subcommittee were present for either all or a portion of the meeting: Representative Neal Collins and Representative Mandy Powers Norrell.

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 Collins makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the prior Subcommittee meeting. A roll call vote is held, and the motion passes.

Rep. Collins' motion to approve the minutes from the October 24, 2017 meeting:	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Collins	✓		
Rep. Norrell	✓		
Rep. Ridgeway			Not Present
Rep. Bannister	✓		

Discussion of the Commission for Minority Affairs

- I. Chair Bannister states that this is the Subcommittee's second meeting with the Commission for Minority Affairs (CMA). He explains that the purpose of the meeting is to receive the agency's response to the Subcommittee's [November 3, 2017, letter](#) and to discuss the agency's products, services, and customers; resources available; relationships with other entities; goals; and strategic plan.
- II. Chair Bannister announces that two constituents will address the Subcommittee prior to the agency's testimony.
- a. Chair Bannister reminds Chief Louie Chavis that he remains under oath for any testimony before this Subcommittee or the full Committee. Chief Chavis testifies about his experience with the Commission for Minority Affairs, including his perspective on the Native American state recognition process. Members ask questions, which Chief Chavis answers.
 - b. Chair Bannister swears in Ms. Erica Canady. Ms. Canady testifies about her experience working with county social workers, the federal Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA), and her professional relationship with the Commission for Minority Affairs.
- III. Chair Bannister reminds everyone who has been previously sworn in at an Oversight Committee or Subcommittee meeting that they remain under oath for any testimony before this Subcommittee or the full Committee. Chair Bannister swears in the following agency representatives:
- a. Ms. Marcy Hayden, Program Coordinator for Native American Affairs; and
 - b. Ms. Kaneshia Green, Program Coordinator for Community Based Services.

- IV. CMA Director Thomas Smith presents information in response to the Subcommittee's [November 3, 2017, letter](#) on the following topics:
 - a. June 2015 Office of the Inspector General performance review; and
 - b. Agency recommendations for statute or regulation changes.

- V. Ms. Marcy Hayden, CMA Program Coordinator for Native American Affairs, presents information in response to the Subcommittee's [November 3, 2017, letter](#) on the following topics:
 - a. The agency's recommendation to amend the regulation outlining the composition of the Native American Advisory Committee; and
 - b. The agency's involvement with the Indian Child Welfare Act.

Members ask questions, which Ms. Hayden answers, about these topics and state recognition of Native American entities.

- VI. Director Smith continues presenting information in response to the Subcommittee's [November 3, 2017, letter](#) on the following topics:
 - a. The agency's governing board; and
 - b. Nonprofit organizations affiliated with the agency, including the SC Micro Enterprise Network (SCMEN).

- VII. Mr. Rogie Nelson, CMA Program Coordinator for Small and Minority Business, and Ms. Lauretha Whaley, CMA Administrative Manager, presents information about the SC Micro Enterprise Network (SCMEN). Members ask questions, which Mr. Nelson, Ms. Whaley, and Director Smith answer.

- VIII. Director Smith continues presenting information in response to the Subcommittee's [November 3, 2017, letter](#) on the following topics:
 - a. Referrals to the Human Affairs Commission; and
 - b. Statutory basis for the Small and Minority Business Initiative; and
 - c. The agency's Community Based Services program.

Members ask questions, which Director Smith and other agency representatives answer, about these and other topics.

- IX. Ms. Christina Hyppolite, CMA Program Coordinator for Community Based Services, presents information about the agency's Community Based Services program. Members ask questions, which Ms. Hyppolite and Director Smith answer.

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