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Education and Cultural Subcommittee

October 3, 2016

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Attendance

I. The Education and Cultural Subcommittee meeting was called to order by Chair James E. Smith, Jr., on Monday, October 3, 2016, in Room 108 of the Blatt Building. All members were present at the meeting, except Representative Tommy M. Stringer.

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 moved to approve the minutes from the Subcommittee's meeting on September 15, 2016. A roll call vote was held, and the motion passed.

Representative Clary's motion to approve the minutes from the September 15, 2016, meeting:	Yea	Nay	Not Voting: Present	Not Voting: Absent
Gary E. Clary	✓			
Joseph H. Jefferson, Jr.	✓			
James E. Smith, Jr.	✓			
Tommy Stringer				✓

Discussion of the School for the Deaf and the Blind

- I. Representative Clary expressed his concern that the mission statement of the School for the Deaf and the Blind, which is provided in statute, contains the phrase "high-quality education."
- II. After the agency agreed with the suggestion that the phrase be removed from the mission statement, the Subcommittee added the recommendation to its study. Chair Smith moved to eliminate "high quality" from the agency's purpose. A roll call vote was held, and the motion passed.

Representative Clary's motion to remove the phrase "high quality" from the Subcommittee's recommendation regarding a statutory statement of the school's purpose:	Yea	Nay	Not Voting: Present	Not Voting: Absent
Gary E. Clary	✓			
Joseph H. Jefferson, Jr.	✓			
James E. Smith, Jr.	✓			
Tommy Stringer				✓

III. The meeting was adjourned.