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Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Subcommittee

**Monday, October 9, 2017
10:45am**

**217 Ft. Johnson Road, Charleston, SC
Marine Resources Research Institute (MRRI) AuditoriumBlatt 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 Wednesday, October 4, 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 Katherine E. 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 Hixon makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the prior Subcommittee meeting.

Representative Hixon's motion to approve the minutes from the October 4, 2017 meeting:	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Arrington	✓		
Rep. Hixon	✓		
Rep. Rutherford			Not Present
Rep. Tallon	✓		

Discussion of the Department of Natural Resources

- I. Chairman Tallon explains the purpose of the meeting today is to take a tour of the facility and receive details about the agency's Marine Resource Division. He also reminds those who were sworn in during prior meetings that they remain under oath anytime they are with the Subcommittee or Committee.
- II. Rep. Hixon makes several motions which are listed below.

Rep. Hixon's motion that the Subcommittee Study include a recommendation that the audit manager create an internal manual to assist with succession planning.	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Arrington	✓		
Rep. Hixon	✓		
Rep. Rutherford			Not Present
Rep. Tallon	✓		

Rep. Hixon's motion that the Subcommittee Study include a recommendation that the agency hire an internal auditor to serve under the audit manager.	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Arrington	✓		
Rep. Hixon	✓		
Rep. Rutherford			Not Present
Rep. Tallon	✓		

Rep. Hixon's motion that the Subcommittee Study include a recommendation that the head of the agency's audit team directly report to the board.	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Arrington	✓		
Rep. Hixon	✓		
Rep. Rutherford			Not Present
Rep. Tallon	✓		

Rep. Hixon's motion that the Subcommittee Study include a recommendation that a fee be required for turkey tags to cover the cost of printing and mailing and any additional revenue from the tags being earmarked for turkey conservation programs at the agency.	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Arrington	✓		
Rep. Hixon	✓		
Rep. Rutherford			Not Present
Rep. Tallon	✓		

Rep. Hixon's motion that the Subcommittee Study include a recommendation to authorize state agencies, including DNR, to add the costs imposed on the state agency by a consumer's credit card or other banking institution, to the cost of the transaction, in all transactions in which the consumer has the opportunity to utilize a method of payment that would not impose an additional cost to the state agency (i.e., cash or check).	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Arrington	✓		
Rep. Hixon	✓		
Rep. Rutherford			Not Present
Rep. Tallon	✓		

Rep. Hixon's motion that the Subcommittee Study approve each of the agency's recommended changes to law which are in the agency's Program Evaluation Report (PER) and the agency has indicated do not impact any other agency. The recommendation item numbers from the PER are: 1, 9, 10, 31, 32, 34, 35, 42, 61, 62, 67, 68, 70, 72, 73, and 77.	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Arrington	✓		
Rep. Hixon	✓		
Rep. Rutherford			Not Present
Rep. Tallon	✓		

Rep. Hixon's motion that the Subcommittee Study include a recommendation that the agency have an outside independent entity perform an employee morale/leadership survey once every three years.	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Arrington	✓		
Rep. Hixon	✓		
Rep. Rutherford			Not Present
Rep. Tallon	✓		

Later in the meeting, Director Alvin Taylor notes the agency is already in the process of implementing this recommendation.

Rep. Hixon's motion that the Subcommittee Study include a recommendation that state agencies be prohibited from procuring products or services annually until all employees involved in procurement for an agency successfully complete an annual curriculum approved by the Director of the State Fiscal Accountability Authority's Division of Procurement Services.	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Arrington	✓		
Rep. Hixon	✓		
Rep. Rutherford			Not Present
Rep. Tallon	✓		

- III. Chairman Tallon recesses the meeting for the tour of the facility and lunch.
- IV. Chairman Tallon reconvenes the meeting at 1:00pm.

- V. Mr. Robert Boyles, Deputy Director of the agency's Marine Resource Division (MRD) provides information on the following topics related to this division:
- a. Organization of the division;
 - b. Products and services;
 - c. Portions of the agency's strategic plan related to the division;
 - d. Strategic resource allocation; and
 - e. Performance measures.

Subcommittee members ask questions which Mr. Boyles and other agency representatives answer.

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