

PERFORMANCE AUDIT COMMITTEE

Committee Meeting Minutes
January 5, 2010 – 3:30 p.m.
Room 2202 – State Capitol

Senator Harms called the meeting to order. The following Committee members were present:

Senator John Harms, Chair
Senator Danielle Conrad, Vice Chair
Speaker Mike Flood
Senator Lavon Heidemann
Senator Arnie Stuthman
Senator Dennis Utter
Senator John Wightman

Also present were Martha Carter, Legislative Auditor; Don Arp, Clarence Mabin, Dana McNeil, Performance Auditors; Stephanie Meese, Legal Counsel, and Mary Rasmussen, Committee Clerk.

1. Approval of the agenda.

Motion: By Senator Wightman and seconded by Senator Flood to approve the agenda for the January 5, 2010, meeting. The motion carried by voice vote. Voting aye: Senators Harms, Conrad, Flood, Heidemann, Stuthman, Utter, and Wightman. Voting nay: None. Absent: None.

2. Approval of the minutes from the November 16, 2009 and December 17, 2009 meetings.

Motion: By Senator Flood and seconded by Senator Utter to approve the minutes from the November 16, 2009 and December 17, 2009 meetings. The motion carried by voice vote. Voting aye: Senators Harms, Conrad, Flood, Heidemann, Stuthman, Utter, and Wightman. Voting nay: None. Absent: None.

Motion: By Senator Stuthman and seconded by Senator Wightman to go into closed session. The motion carried by voice vote. Voting aye: Senators Harms, Conrad, Flood, Heidemann, Stuthman, Utter, and Wightman. Voting nay: None. Absent: None.

3.-4. Discussion of the Public Service Commission Public Advocate draft scope statement and audit plan and a matter relating to a past performance audit.

Motion: By Senator Wightman and seconded by Senator Stuthman to return to open session. The motion carried by voice vote. Voting aye: Senators Harms, Conrad, Flood, Heidemann, Stuthman, Utter, and Wightman. Voting nay: None. Absent: None.

5. Action on Items Discussed in Closed Session

Motion: By Senator Wightman and seconded by Senator Utter to approve the Public Service Commission Public Advocate draft scope statement and audit plan. The motion carried by voice vote. Voting aye: Senators Harms, Conrad, Flood, Heidemann, Stuthman, Utter, and Wightman. Voting nay: None. Absent: None.

6. Other business.

The Committee asked staff to solicit audit topics from members of the Legislature.

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.