



# MINUTES

## GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

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**Ninth Meeting**  
**2005 Interim**  
**Monday, January 9, 2006**

**LCR 1**  
**State Capitol**  
**Pierre, South Dakota**

The ninth meeting of the Government Operations and Audit Committee was called to order by Chair Klaudt at 8:05 a.m., January 9, 2006, in the Legislative Conference Room 1, State Capitol Building, Pierre, South Dakota.

A quorum was determined with the following members answering the roll call: Senators Jerry Apa, William Earley, Jason Gant, John Koskan, and Garry Moore; and, Representatives Michael Buckingham, Margaret Gillespie, Gerald Lange, Ted Klaudt, and Deb Peters.

Staff members present were Mr. Marty Guindon, Auditor General, Mr. Robert Christianson and Mr. Gary Hoscheid, State Government Audit Managers for the Department of Legislative Audit (DLA). Ms. Sue Cichos, Senior Fiscal Analyst represented the Legislative Research Council.

(NOTE: All referenced documents are on file with the Master Minutes.)

### **Approval of Minutes**

*Senator Lange moved, seconded by Senator Apa, the minutes of the November 21, 2005 meeting be approved. Motion prevailed unanimously on a voice vote.*

### **Attorney General**

Attorney General Larry Long provided the committee with information concerning the process of licensing and disciplining real estate appraisers in the state of South Dakota. A handout was provided by the Attorney General. (**Document #1**)

*Senator Apa moved, seconded by Representative Buckingham that the Committee go into executive session for the purpose of discussing confidential information. Motion prevailed unanimously on a voice vote.*

*The chairman brought the Committee out of executive session with no formal action taken.*

The committee requested that all state Boards and Commissions file an annual year end report with the Governor's Operations and Audit Committee that summarizes all disciplinary actions taken by the various Boards or Commissions.

### **Department of Social Services**

*Senator Moore moved, seconded by Senator Apa that the Committee go into executive session for the purpose of discussing confidential information. Motion prevailed unanimously on a voice vote.*

*The chairman brought the Committee out of executive session with no formal action taken.*

### **Juvenile Corrections Monitor**

*Senator Moore moved, seconded by Senator Earley that the Committee go into executive session for the purpose of discussing confidential information. Motion prevailed unanimously on a voice vote.*

*The chairman brought the Committee out of executive session with no formal action taken.*

## **2006 Draft Committee Legislation**

Copies of the draft legislation proposed by the Committee were provided to the chairman who then assigned the draft legislation to individual Committee members to carry the bills on the respective floors of each chamber. Committee discussion followed.

## **Follow-up from Prior Meetings**

The Committee was provided with an updated Encumbrance Report, (Document ), Calendar Year 2005 4<sup>th</sup> quarter listing of leases entered into by the South Dakota Board of Regents (Document ), and a listing of legal fees paid by the Department of Transportation involving the litigation and proposed sale of the State Core Railroad Line. (Document )

## **Topics for Future Meetings**

- Fund balances/net asset issues of various state funds
- Financial status of the various bond reserve funds
- Interpretation of federal law concerning the way the state calculates Cobra premiums
- Trends in expenditure patterns involving in-state vs. out-of-state contracts
- Update from Department of Social Services on the Constituent Liaison activities
- Discuss disciplinary reports from Boards and Commissions

The Committee adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.



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