MINUTES
Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations

Senator Deb Peters, Lead Co-Chair
Representative Justin Cronin, Co-Chair

Second Meeting, 2016 Interim — **LCR 1 – State Capitol**
Friday, June 10, 2016 — **Pierre, SD**

The second meeting of the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations (JCA) for 2016 was called to order by Vice Chair Representative Dan Dryden, at 10:00 a.m. in Legislative Conference Room 1 of the State Capitol, Pierre, SD.

A quorum was determined with the following members answering the roll call: Senator Deb Peters, Lead Co-Chair (via telephone); Representative Justin Cronin, Co-Chair (via telephone); Senators Phyllis Heineman (via telephone), David Omdahl (via telephone), Scott Parsley (via telephone), Larry Tidemann (via telephone), Bill Van Gerpen (via telephone), and Jim White (via telephone); Representatives David Anderson, Dan Dryden, Jean Hunhoff (via telephone), Ray Ring (via telephone), and Fred Romkema (via telephone). Excused: Senators Angie Buhl-O'Donnell and Teri Haverly; Representatives Shawn Bordeaux, Alex Jensen, and Jeffrey Partridge.

Staff members present included Annie Mehlhaff, Chief Fiscal Analyst; Denice Houlette, Senior Fiscal Analyst; Jason Simmons, Senior Fiscal Analyst; Stephanie Gruba, Fiscal Analyst; Jeff Mehlhaff, Fiscal Analyst; and Cindy Tryon, Senior Secretary.

NOTE: For purpose of continuity, the following minutes are not necessarily in chronological order. Also, all referenced documents distributed at the meeting are attached to the original minutes on file in the Legislative Research Council office. This meeting was web cast live. The archived web cast is available at the LRC web site at http://sdlegislature.gov.

Approval of Minutes

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SENATOR HEINEMAN, SECONDED BY SENATOR TIDEMANN, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 29, 2016, MEETING. The motion prevailed on a roll call vote with 11 members voting AYE and 7 EXCUSED. Those voting AYE: Heineman, Omdahl, Parsley, Tidemann, Van Gerpen, White, Anderson, Dryden, Hunhoff, Ring, and Romkema. Those EXCUSED: Buhl-O'Donnell, Haverly, Bordeaux, Jensen, Partridge, Cronin, and Peters.

Letters of Intent (LOI)

Draft Letter of Intent – D
2016 Legislative Session
Legislative Act: SB172
Department/Agency: Board of Regents

USD – Center for Prevention of Child Maltreatment

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report be delivered in January 2017 on Center activities through December 31, 2016, and an annual report in July 2017 on activities and successes through the end of FY2017.

During this period the Center will work in conjunction with the Jolene's Law Task Force, that has recently been reappointed by Governor Dennis Daugaard, to develop a statewide infrastructure to eradicate the public health issue of child sexual abuse in South Dakota. Specific outcomes over the next six months will be to:

- *Hire a Director for the USD Center for the Prevention of Child Maltreatment*
- *Develop ten year measurable goals for improvement in all recommendation areas*
- *Develop incremental benchmarks within the larger goals.*
- *Design action plans to attain benchmarks and ten year goals.*
- *Utilize evidence-based practice and research to inform action plans.*
- *Secure funding (preferably grant support) and implement developed plan strategies.*
- *Measure incremental outcomes to inform continued strategy or change of action steps.*
- *Design statewide infrastructure that sustains the effort moving forward.*

The Committee will then assess the need for continued reporting.

Mr. Jason Simmons, Senior Fiscal Analyst, presented LOI D regarding the Center for Prevention of Child Maltreatment. **Dr. Mike Lawler, USD**, and **Senator Deb Soholt, Chair, Jolene's Law Task Force**, joined the meeting by telephone to assist in answering Committee questions regarding this LOI.

Representative Jean Hunhoff and **Representative Dan Dryden** explained this is a continuously funded program and is in the base budget.

Senator Scott Parsley commented that after a year, adjustments to the outcomes can be made if needed. Senator Parsley asked Dr. Lawler if he believes he will be able to hire someone with the ability to accomplish the goals and tasks set for this program.

Dr. Lawler reported he is happy with the interest shown in this position and has already received several applications. Senator Soholt said Jolene's Law Task Force will meet in July and there is a more in-depth document listing the goals and tasks for the Center that was submitted to LRC.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SENATOR TIDEMANN, SECONDED BY REPRESENTATIVE ANDERSON, TO APPROVE LETTER OF INTENT D REGARDING THE USD CENTER FOR THE PREVENTION OF CHILD MALTREATMENT. The motion prevailed on a roll call vote with 11 members voting AYE and 7 EXCUSED. Those voting AYE: Heineman, Omdahl, Parsley, Tidemann, Van Gerpen, White, Anderson, Dryden, Hunhoff, Ring, and Romkema. Those EXCUSED: Buhl-O'Donnell, Haverly, Bordeaux, Jensen, Partridge, Cronin, and Peters.

Draft Letter of Intent – O
2016 Legislative Session
Legislative Act: SB172
Department/Agency: Department of Education/Technical Institutes

Faculty Salaries

SB172 provided $3 million in general funds for the purpose of increasing instructor salaries to competitive levels at the postsecondary technical institutes. It is the intent of the Committee that these funds are to only be used for instructors' salaries and benefits and that the technical institutes are allowed to use these funds for differential pay, based on performance, in high need areas and highly difficult areas to recruit and retain instructors.

The Committee also requests that the Department of Education provide a report by December 6, 2016. The report should outline the effect of the additional funding on instructor salaries and retention by program at each technical institute.

Representative Dryden presented the LOI stating that the Committee had discussed this at the previous meeting but had decided to wait until the June meeting to take action.

Senator Larry Tidemann said he would like to add that these increases be based on performance, as someone should not receive an increase if their performance is lacking. **Representative David Anderson** suggested the words "based on performance" be added to the second sentence of the first paragraph.

Senator Bill Van Gerpen asked if the Board of Regents uses a performance based program in determining salary increases or if the staff automatically receive raises. **Dr. Monte Kramer, Director of Finance and Administration, SD Board of Regents**, responded that the Board of Regents has a thorough review process that includes measuring performance.

Senator Parsley said he had read that these dollars may be used for things other than salaries and wondered if that was true. **Dr. Melody Schopp, Secretary, SD Department of Education**, said the full intent of this money is for salaries and benefits. The Department of Education's role in this process is the distribution of the dollars. The institutions will be responsible for determining the performance aspect of the salary increases.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SENATOR TIDEMANN, SECONDED BY SENATOR VAN GERPEN, TO APPROVE LETTER OF INTENT O, WITH THE ADDITION OF THE WORDING "BASED ON PERFORMANCE," REGARDING INCREASING INSTRUCTOR SALARIES AT THE POSTSECONDARY TECHNICAL INSTITUTES. The motion prevailed on a roll call vote with 12 members voting AYE and 6 EXCUSED. Those voting AYE: Heineman, Omdahl, Parsley, Tidemann, Van Gerpen, White, Anderson, Cronin, Dryden, Hunhoff, Ring, and Romkema. Those EXCUSED: Buhl-O'Donnell, Haverly, Bordeaux, Jensen, Partridge, and Peters.

Draft Letter of Intent – P
2016 Legislative Session
Legislative Act: SB172
Department/Agency: SD Board of Regents
University Research Centers

Senate Bill 172 appropriated $200,000 in general funds to the Board of Regents for the expansion of university research parks. It is the Committee's intent to supplement that legislation with specific policy guidance regarding that appropriation. It is the intent of the Committee that one-half of the funding be distributed to the South Dakota State University (SDSU) Research Park in Brookings and one-half of the funding be distributed to the University of South Dakota (USD) Research Park in Sioux Falls to support research park operations. This funding must be a cash match on a 1-to-1 basis. The committee requests that a preliminary report be submitted by December 6, 2016, detailing any expenditures made from the state funds, as well as expenditures and sources of the matching funds. The committee further requests a final report be submitted by June 30, 2017, detailing the

above-mentioned information as well as any economic impact the research parks have had on the South Dakota economy. These measures could include, but not be limited to, the number of new jobs created, the amount of state revenue generated, capital investments, infrastructure improvements, and industry interaction.

Senator Tidemann presented the draft of LOI P regarding funding for university research centers. The Committee discussed changes to the draft letter and those changes were incorporated into the final LOI P that is a part of these minutes.

Mr. Nathan Lukkes, Assistant Vice President for Research & Economic Development, SD Board of Regents, responded to questions from the Committee regarding the suggested changes to the letter. Changes included adding "capital investments, infrastructure improvements, and industry interaction" to the last sentence; changing the reporting date to December 6, 2016; and adding the words "to support research park operations" after the words Sioux Falls in the third sentence. Mr. Lukkes either suggested or agreed with all of those changes.

Representative Hunhoff asked about the match portion of the LOI. Mr. Lukkes explained that the research centers will each receive a lump sum and the basic agreement between the centers and the BOR will explain that they have to report all expenditures for those dollars and information regarding the match. Mr. Lukkes said his understanding is the match will be a cash match coming from local stakeholders.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SENATOR TIDEMANN, SECONDED BY REPRESENTATIVE CRONIN, TO APPROVE LETTER OF INTENT P REGARDING UNIVERSITY RESEARCH CENTERS WITH THE SUGGESTED CHANGES. The motion prevailed on a roll call vote with 13 members voting AYE and 5 EXCUSED. Those voting AYE: Heineman, Omdahl, Parsley, Peters, Tidemann, Van Gerpen, White, Anderson, Cronin, Dryden, Hunhoff, Ring, and Romkema. Those EXCUSED: Buhl-O'Donnell, Haverly, Bordeaux, Jensen, and Partridge.

Senator Tidemann presented three different drafts of a LOI prepared by the Bureau of Finance and Management regarding funding for tuition reimbursement for National Guard members who attend a South Dakota technical institute. Those drafts are as follows:

National Guard Tuition Benefit Funds Letter of Intent (drafts)

Draft #1

In addition to an inflationary increase of 2.7% included in SB172, this legislation provided an additional $3 million in general funds for the purpose of increasing instructor salaries to competitive levels at the postsecondary technical institutes as discussed in HB1182. Furthermore, as part of the recommendation spelled out in HB1203, all National Guard tuition benefit funds were transferred from the Department of the Military to the Technical Institutes. In addition, Higher Education students in the National Guard will derive an additional benefit that the Technical Institute students will not. Since the Technical Institutes now have full control over the funds to provide tuition reimbursement for National Guard benefits, it is the intent of the Committee that the financial aid offices earmark up to $162,000 of salary adjustments that were provided for both in the formula allocation as well as the $3 million in HB1182 to provide an additional benefit to National Guard members commensurate with the benefit derived from rolling the USF fee into tuition at the Higher Education institutions. Legislation will also be brought forward in the 2018 session to memorialize this new relationship of state reimbursement to National Guard students.

The Committee also requests that the Technical Institutes provide a written report to the Committee by December 6, 2016, outlining the compliance with this directive.

Draft #1A

In addition to an inflationary increase of 2.7% included in SB172, this legislation provided an additional $3 million in general funds for the purpose of increasing instructor salaries to competitive levels at the postsecondary Technical Institutes as discussed in HB1182. Furthermore, as part of the recommendation spelled out in HB1203, all National Guard tuition benefit funds were transferred from the Department of the Military to the Technical Institutes.

As an additional result in HB1203, Higher Education students in the National Guard will derive an additional benefit that the Technical Institute students will not. Since the Technical Institutes now have full control over the funds to provide tuition reimbursement for National Guard benefits, it is the intent of the Committee that the financial aid offices earmark up to $162,000 to provide an additional benefit to National Guard members commensurate with the benefit derived from rolling the USF fee into tuition at the Higher Education institutions. Legislation will also be brought forward in the 2017 session to memorialize this new relationship of state reimbursement to National Guard students.

The Committee also requests that the Technical Institutes provide a written report to the Committee by December 6, 2016, outlining the compliance with this directive.

Draft #2

In addition to an inflationary increase of 2.7% included in SB172, this legislation provided an additional $3 million in general funds for the purpose of increasing instructor salaries to competitive levels at the postsecondary Technical Institutes as discussed in HB1182. Furthermore, as part of the recommendation spelled out in HB1203, all National Guard tuition benefit funds were transferred from the Department of the Military to the Technical Institutes and an additional benefit was derived for Higher Education National Guard students. It is the intent of the Committee to provide an additional benefit to National Guard members attending Technical Institutes commensurate with the benefit derived from rolling the USF fee into tuition at the Higher Education institutions during the 2017 session. Therefore, the committee requests that the Technical Institutes set aside up to $162,000 of formula allocation dollars to be utilized in FY18 for this purpose. The Committee encourages the Technical Institutes to use these dollars as one-time funds for FY17.

The Committee also requests that the Technical Institutes provide a written report to the Committee by December 6, 2016, outlining the compliance with this directive.

Mr. Jason Dilges, Commissioner, Bureau of Finance and Management, said this LOI would give the Technical Institutes the same benefits for National Guard members that the regental schools offer. Options #1 and #1A would allow the Technical Institutes to provide additional benefits this fall. Option #2 would mean waiting until the legislation passes in the 2017 session but the money would be freed up for distribution in the fall of 2017. Staff from the Bureau of Finance and Management and the chairs and vice chairs of the Appropriations Committees met during the last few days of session and discussed taking the action described in this draft LOI.

Representative Justin Cronin said the information in Draft #1 is closer to what he remembers about those conversations and would be his first choice. This option would mean that the Technical Institutes could provide additional benefits in the fall of 2016 rather than having to wait until the next year.

Senator Deb Peters asked if Draft #1 includes everything needed to accomplish what they had discussed. Commissioner Dilges replied that it may not be exactly what is needed but that he wanted to present the general context and the BFM staff can work with LRC staff on the final wording of the letter. The Commissioner added that this allows moving ahead in the direction they had discussed.

Representative Anderson asked if action needs to be taken on this letter at today's meeting or if they could wait until the full committee has a chance to study it further. Commissioner Dilges said he would like to have this in place prior to the fall term, but that it could be finalized in July if the Committee so chooses.

Senator Peters said the Technical Institutes need to know the decision on this as soon as possible.

Senator Parsley and Van Gerpen said they would prefer more time to study this issue before taking action.

Representative Anderson said this is not new money but it assigns the $162,000 to benefit National Guard members attending a Technical Institute in South Dakota. Commissioner Dilges agreed pointing out that Draft #1 allows the money to be used in the fall of 2016 and Draft #2 would mean waiting until the fall of 2017 to distribute the funding.

Representative Cronin said he would like the Technical Institutes to contact Committee members regarding this issue and he sees this as balancing funding for National Guard students at the Technical Institutes with funding available to them at the regental schools.

Representative Dryden asked the staff of LRC and BFM, along with Secretary Schopp, to work on finalizing the wording for the LOI, and the Committee have a conference call prior to July 1 to take final action on the revised LOI.

Senator Phyllis Heineman asked about the status of draft LOI C regarding the Lean study that was discussed at the March meeting and the Committee had agreed at that time to wait until the June meeting to take action.

Ms. Annie Mehlhaff, Chief Fiscal Analyst, explained for the Lean study to be productive, the Bureau of Information and Telecommunications (BIT) would need to be a willing participant. The Commissioner of BIT sent an email to Ms. Gruba stating that BIT will be conducting some Lean-type studies of their own and will report the results back to this Committee.

Ms. Stephanie Gruba, Fiscal Analyst, said she will forward a copy of the email from the BIT Commissioner to the Committee members.

Senator Tidemann said he tried to have the BIT Commissioner meet with contacts at South Dakota State University regarding their lean processes but did not receive a response to his request.

Senator Peters said the Fiscal staff needs to respond to the BIT Commissioner's email message letting him know that the Committee does not find his response acceptable. Representative Cronin added that the message to BIT should ask why BIT does not want to work with LRC. Representative Dryden asked that this message be sent to the BIT Commissioner within the next few days.

Budget Transfer Requests from Board of Regents

Dr. Monte Kramer, Director of Finance and Administration, SD Board of Regents, and Ms. Leah Ahartz, Budget Manager, SD Board of Regents, presented three budget transfers for Committee approval. These three budget transfers move funds between institutions and according to statute any transfers between "institutions" must be approved by the JCA during an interim meeting.

Ms. Ahartz went through each of the transfers explaining the purpose:

- JB2017132 addresses the fact that funds were originally allocated incorrectly regarding the National Guard students and this transfer corrects that allocation.

- JB2017133 allows the amount of $324,000 that was originally placed with the Regents' office to be allocated to the institutions to address the tuition freeze.

- JB2017134 realigns funds because of the change in the HEFF percent. That percentage change impacts the universities differently and this transfer corrects that.

Representative Dryden asked if these are permanent transfers and Dr. Kramer replied that they are.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SENATOR TIDEMANN, SECONDED BY SENATOR PETERS, TO APPROVE THE TRANSFERS AS PRESENTED BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS. The motion prevailed on a roll call vote with 12 members voting AYE and 6 EXCUSED. Those voting AYE: Heineman, Omdahl, Parsley, Peters, Tidemann, Van Gerpen, Anderson, Cronin, Dryden, Hunhoff, Ring, and Romkema. Those EXCUSED: Buhl-O'Donnell, Haverly, White, Bordeaux, Jensen, and Partridge.

Future Meeting Dates

The committee agreed that the next Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations meeting will be Friday, July 22, 2016, starting at 10 AM. This is a change to the date that had been set during the March meeting.

Adjourn

REPRESENTATIVE DAVID ANDERSON MOVED, SECONDED BY SENATOR DEB PETERS, TO ADJOURN. The motion prevailed unanimously on a voice vote.

The Committee adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

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Letter of Intent Regarding Legislation Approved in the 2016 Session

Dear Board of Regents Executive Director Rush, President Abbott, and Vice President for Health Affairs Dr. Nettleman:

This Letter of Intent sets forth a particular view held by the Joint Committee on Appropriations related to the USD Center for the Prevention of Child Maltreatment funding approved in the FY17 General Appropriations Act (SB172). As such, it supplements the appropriation with a specific policy guideline as approved on June 10, 2016. While the guideline does not have the direct force of statutory law, it rests solidly on a long-standing tradition of Legislative-Executive relationships in South Dakota and it will be used by the Joint Committee as one basis for the fiscal oversight of the Board of Regents and its continued funding.

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Thank you,

/S/ Senator Deb Peters
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cc: Marty Guindon, Auditor General
Jason Dilges, Commissioner, Bureau of Finance and Management

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Dr. Melody Schopp, Secretary
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Dear Dr. Schopp:

This Letter of Intent sets forth a particular view held by the Joint Committee on Appropriations relating to your appropriation approved in the FY2017 General Appropriations Act (SB172). As such, it supplements that appropriation with a specific policy guideline as approved on June 10, 2016. While the guideline does not have the direct force of statutory law, it rests solidly on a long-standing tradition of Legislative-Executive relationships in South Dakota and it will be used by the Joint Committee as one basis for the fiscal oversight of your agency.

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Thank you for your cooperation.

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Letter of Intent Regarding Legislation Approved in the 2016 Session

Dear Executive Director Rush:

This Letter of Intent sets forth a particular view held by the Joint Committee on Appropriations related to the funding approved in SB172, An Act to appropriate money for the ordinary expenses of the legislative, judicial, and executive departments of the state, the expenses of state institutions, interest on the public debt, and for common schools. As such, this Letter of Intent seeks to supplement that legislation with specific policy guidance. While the guideline does not have the direct force of statutory law, it rests solidly on a long-standing tradition of Legislative-Executive relationships in South Dakota and it will be used by the Joint Committee as one basis for the fiscal oversight of your agency and its continued funding.

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