

**REPORTS OF THE  
EXECUTIVE SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE  
ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**October 18, 2024**

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Senator Terry Rice, Co-Chair	Representative Jeff Wardlaw, Co-Chair
Senator Ben Gilmore, Vice Co-Chair	Representative Bruce Cozart, Vice Co-Chair
Senator Missy Irvin	Representative Matthew J. Shepherd
Senator Bart Hester	Representative Kenneth B. Ferguson

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**October 3, 2024 Meeting**

We, the Executive Subcommittee of the Arkansas Legislative Council, met Thursday, October 3, 2024, in Room B of the Big MAC Building, Little Rock, Arkansas. Co-Chair Jeff Wardlaw called the meeting to order and saw a quorum of members present. House Speaker Matthew J. Shepherd attended the meeting via *TEAMS*. Representative Kenneth Ferguson gave the prayer.

Co-Chair Wardlaw stated the Subcommittee would take up Item C - Discussion of Procurement Consulting Services Agreement with Ikaso Consulting, first, then recognized Ms. Reiko Osaki and Mr. Tom Arnold, Ikaso Consulting, via *TEAMS* to discuss the agreement. **After the presentation and questions, the Subcommittee adopted a motion made by Representative Bruce Cozart to approve the proposal from Ikaso Consulting and authorize BLR to negotiate a contract between Ikaso and BLR incorporating the scope of work and pricing terms included in this proposal to be brought to the Executive Subcommittee at its next meeting.**

Co-Chair Wardlaw then recognized Mr. Charles Lenz and Mr. Kyle Hales Principal & Consulting Actuaries, both of Perr & Knight, to present on the Educational Facilities Property Insurance Study. **After the presentation and questions from members, Co-Chair Wardlaw stated without objection, the Subcommittee will move forward with the recommendations of Perr & Knight.** With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

**October 17, 2024 Meeting**

We, the Executive Subcommittee of the Arkansas Legislative Council, met Thursday, October 17, 2024, in Room B of the Big MAC Building, Little Rock, Arkansas. Co-Chair Jeff Wardlaw called the meeting to order and saw a quorum of members present. Representative Bruce Cozart gave the prayer.

Co-Chair Wardlaw recognized Representative Josh Miller to present the report of the ALC Game & Fish/State Police Subcommittee - Arkansas Firearms and Concealed Carry Laws Study. **After the presentation, and with no questions from members, Co-Chair Wardlaw stated without objection the ALC Game & Fish/State Police Subcommittee - Arkansas Firearms and Concealed Carry Laws Study report was accepted by the ALC Executive Committee.**

Co-Chair Wardlaw recognized Ms. Jill Thayer, Chief Legal Counsel, Bureau of Legislation Research, to give a presentation on the Ikaso Consulting Contract. **After the presentation, Senator Missy**

**Irvin moved to approve the consulting contract for Ikaso. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.**

Co-Chair Wardlaw then recognized Mr. Kyle Hales, Perr & Knight, via *TEAMS* to discuss the new Perr & Knight contract. After discussion, Co-Chair Wardlaw recognized members for questions. **Senator Missy Irvin then moved to approve the new contract for Perr & Knight. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.**

Co-Chair Wardlaw recognized Director Marty Garrity, Bureau of Legislative Research to inform members of the per diem and mileage payments to a member-elect. **After discussion, Senator Missy Irvin moved that a member-elect of the General Assembly may receive mileage and per diem for attending interim committee meetings of the General Assembly for which members of the General Assembly are entitled to mileage and per diem, in the same manner as members of the General Assembly receive payments. A person is considered a member-elect after the general election or special election in which that person successfully ran for office. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.**

In other business, Co-Chair Wardlaw informed members of the recommendation of the co-chairs to refer the Act 575 of 2023 requests to the Public Health, Welfare and Labor Committee for review instead of hearing the multiple requests in Legislative Council. **Representative Kenneth Ferguson moved to refer Act 575 of 2023 prior authorization programs to the House and Senate Public Health, Welfare and Labor Committees, meeting jointly, and the Public Health Committees shall send a recommendation on each program to the ALC-Hospital and Medicaid Study Subcommittee. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.**

A copy of the Emergency Action Report approving the Consulting Services Agreement between BLR and Olsberg/SPI for services related to the Subcommittee's Motion Picture Production Study, as well as a copy of the executed contract, was provided to the Subcommittee members.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Jeff Wardlaw, Co-Chair and Senator Terry Rice, Co-Chair