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GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
JOINT FISCAL COMMITTEE  
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Agenda

Thursday, November 21, 2013

Room 10, State House

- 9:00 a.m. Joint Transportation Oversight Committee [**APPROVED AND RECOMMENDED**]  
Brian Searles, Secretary, Agency of Transportation  
a. The sale of surplus property on Shelburne Road, So. Burlington [19 V.S.A. § 26(b)]
- 9:15 a.m. b. Overview of Western Corridor Rail Rehabilitation Project – ref. JFO #2641
- 9:25 a.m. Adjourn JTOC
- 9:30 a.m. Convene Special Committee for the purpose of approving a project [**APPROVED**]  
[CD 1] Joint Fiscal Committee and the Chairs of the House and Senate Committees on  
Transportation [19 V.S.A. § 10g(i)] [2 *doc*]  
Overview of Western Corridor Rail Rehabilitation Project – reference JFO #2641  
Secretary Searles
- 9:45 a.m. Adjourn Special Committee
- 9:50 a.m. A. Call to order Joint Fiscal Committee, and approve minutes of September 11, 2013.
- 9:55 a.m. B. Joint Fiscal Office Updates [**Fiscal Office Budget Recommendation**]  
1. Fiscal Officer's Report – Stephen Klein, Chief Fiscal Officer [2 *docs*]  
2. Education Fund Outlook – Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst [*doc*]  
3. Discussion on Draft Statutory Purposes for Tax Expenditures – Sara Teachout,  
Senior Fiscal Analyst [*doc*]
- 10:30 a.m. C. Lottery Commission Report on Keno Games [Sec. E.141(c) of Act 50 of 2013] [*doc*]  
[CD 1, TR 2] Greg Smith, Executive Director, Vermont Lottery Commission
- 10:45 a.m. D. Grant Approval: [**APPROVED**]  
[CD 1, TR 3] JFO #2646 – \$300,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice to the  
Vermont Judiciary. These funds will be used in Windham County to implement a  
domestic violence docket that will enhance services to victims of domestic  
violence. **One (1) limited service position** is associated with this request.  
Patricia Gable, Court Administrator, Vermont Supreme Court [2 *docs*]

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- 11:00 a.m. E. Housing Subsidy Evaluation and Report [Sec. E.300(c) of Act 50 of 2013]  
[CD 2, TR 2] Angus Chaney, Director of Housing, Agency of Human Services [*doc*]
- 11:15 a.m. F. Green Mountain Care Board and Dept. of Financial Reg. Bill Back Update  
[CD 2, TR 3] [Sec. 37c(b) of Act 79 of 2013] and Introduction to new Exec. Director, GMCB  
Al Gobeille, Chair, Susan Barrett, Executive Director, Michael Donafrio, General  
Counsel, GMCB
- 11:30 a.m. G. Administration's Fiscal Updates  
[CD 2, TR 4] 1. LIHEAP Update – Richard Moffi, Fuel Assistance Program Chief, Department  
for Children & Families  
2. Veterans' Home Update – Jeb Spaulding, Secretary, Agency of Administration  
[CD 3] 3. FY2014 Budget Adjustment Pressures, and FY 2015 Budget Development  
System & Process - Jim Reardon, Commissioner, Dept. of Finance & Man.
- 12:15 p.m. H. Geographic Information System report on the Sustainability of the Program [2 *doc*]  
[CD3, TR 2] [Sec. E.123(a) of Act 50 of 2013]  
David Brotzman, Executive Director, Vermont Center for Geographic  
Information System
- 12:30 p.m. I. State Hospital Staffing and Capacity Recommendation  
[CD 3, TR 3] a. Staffing [Sec. E.314.2(a)(3) of Act 50 of 2013] [*doc*]  
Senator Sally Fox, Chair, Mental Health Oversight Committee, and  
Senator Ginny Lyons, Chair, Health Care Oversight Committee  
b. Capacity - Paul Dupre, Commissioner, and Frank Reed, Deputy Commissioner,  
Department of Mental Health [*doc*]
- 12:45 p.m. J. Recommendations from the Joint Corrections Oversight Committee on Home  
[CD 3, TR 4] Detention and Home Confinement. [Sec. E.335(b) of Act 50 of 2013]  
Representative Heath
- 1:00 p.m. Adjourn

### Other Reports:

#### General Government

- I. Annual report on allocation of funds contained in annual pay acts [3 V.S.A. Sec. 2281(4)]  
[Department of Finance & Management] [*received*]
- II. Quarterly report on small grants [32 V.S.A. § 5(a)(3)] [Joint Fiscal Office] [*received*]
- III. Quarterly report on excess receipts and additional memo response from JFO. [32 V.S.A. § 511]  
[Administration] [*received*]
- IV. Annual report on special funds created and special fund balances [32 V.S.A. § 588(6)]  
[Administration] [*received*]

- V. Quarterly report on measures and milestones of challenges for change.  
[Sec. H4(a) of Act 146 of 2010] [Agency of Administration]  
*[refer to memo – 11/2012 JFC meeting – titled “Challenges memo” online]*
- VI. Quarterly progress report reflecting the outcomes and measures as applied to the projects funded under this section [Sec. 49(i) of Act 40 of 2011] [VT Telecommunications Authority] *[received]*
- VII. Annual report on tax computer system modernization fund receipts [Sec. 282(e) of Act 65 of 2007 as amended by Sec. C.103 of Act 63 of 2011] [Department of Taxes]*[received]*
- VIII. Quarterly report on state match for Tropical Storm Irene or Spring flooding  
[Sec. 77a(b) of Act 75 of 2012] [Administration] *[received]*
- IX. Irene Recovery - Status of FEMA Funding [Sec. E.100.1 of Act 50 of 2013] [Administration]  
*[received]*
- X. Written report on the status of positions authorized in FY2014 and existing pool positions that have been assigned to date. [Sec. E.100(c) of Act 50 of 2013] [Administration] *[received]*

Protection

Quarterly report of costs and expenditures for proceedings of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission [30 V.S.A. § 20(b)(9)] [Department and Board – Public Service] *[received]*

Commerce

Joint annual report on Vermont Economic Growth Incentives (VEGI) [32 V.S.A. § 5930b(e)] [Department of Taxes and VT Economic Progress Council] *[received]*

Human Services

- I. Quarterly progress report on joint prescriptions agreements. [33 V.S.A. § 1998(c)(6)] *[memo – no longer necessary]* [Agency of Human Services and Departments of Human Resources and Vermont Health Access]
- II. Vermont State Hospital; Secure Residential Recovery Program quarterly update  
[Sec. 31(f)(3) of Act 43 of 2009] [Department of Mental Health]  
*[refer to memo – 7/2012 JFC meeting – titled “residential recovery” online]*
- III. Notification to Pharmacy Program Beneficiaries review [Sec. E.307.5(a) of Act 50 of 2013]  
[Department of Vermont Health Access] *[received]*

Follow-up

VT Campaign Finance System Development Expenditures Report  
[Sec. C.100.1(b) of Act 50 of 2013] [Secretary of State] *[received]*