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**MINUTES OF THE
RETIREMENT AND INDEPENDENT ENTITIES APPROPRIATIONS SUB
COMMITTEE**

Friday, February 10, 2017 • 12:45 p.m. • 250 State Capitol

Members Present:

Sen. Daniel Hemmert, Senate Chair
Rep. LaVar Christensen, House Chair
Rep. Timothy D. Hawkes, House Vice Chair
Sen. Wayne A. Harper
Sen. Karen Mayne
Rep. Lynn N. Hemingway
Rep. Jefferson Moss
Rep. Lee B. Perry

Sen. Gene Davis
Sen. Lincoln Fillmore
Sen. Todd Weiler
Rep. Susan Duckworth
Rep. Steve Eliason
Rep. Daniel McCay
Rep. Marie H. Poulson

Members Absent:

Staff Present:

Dr. Thomas E. Young, Senior
Economist/Forecaster
Mr. Brian D. Fay, Fiscal Analyst

Note: A list of others present, a copy of related materials, and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at le.utah.gov.

Senate Chair Daniel Hemmert called the meeting to order at 12:54 p.m.

1. Call to Order

Mr. Brian Fay, LFA, discussed Attorney General (AG) legal service fees. Mr. Fay referred to the Issue Brief entitled, "Shifting Attorney General Legal Service Fees." He indicated the subcommittee had already approved Department of Human Resource Management (DHRM) internal service fund (ISF) rates. Those rates no longer recover costs for the AG's legal services. Last general session the Legislature authorized the AG to run their own ISF so now the AG can charge agencies directly. He recommended that funding previously provided to DHRM for AG legal services be set aside to go directly to the AG to assist agencies when a Career Service Review Office grievance claim is made.

[Issue Brief - Shifting Attorney General Legal Service Fees](#)

2. Discussion of Requests for New Appropriations

The subcommittee did not have any new requests for appropriations to review.

3. Subcommittee Funding Request Prioritization

[Subcommittee Final Priority List](#)

Sen. Hemmert provided background information regarding the subcommittee's prioritization process. The committee asked Utah Education and Telehealth Network (UETN) to break out their requests into their own prioritization. UETN provided the requested information. Based on the information, the Chairs drafted an initial priority list for the subcommittee to consider. Sen. Hemmert provided the initial priority list to the subcommittee and reviewed the items.

MOTION: Rep. Jeff Moss moved to adopt the current schedule of prioritization as an initial position, pending any reprioritization by the subcommittee. Rep. LaVar Christensen thanked UETN for their efforts.

The motion passed with a vote of 8-0-7.

Yeas:

Rep. L. Christensen
Sen. W. Harper
Rep. T. Hawkes
Rep. L. Hemingway
Sen. D. Hemmert
Sen. K. Mayne
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. L. Perry

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. G. Davis
Rep. S. Duckworth
Rep. S. Eliason
Sen. L. Fillmore
Rep. D. McCay
Rep. M. Poulson
Sen. T. Weiler

Rep. Christensen asked Dr. Ray Timothy, Executive Director, UETN, clarifying questions about items and dollar amounts on the priority list. Dr. Timothy responded.

MOTION: Rep. Lynn Hemingway moved to authorize the co-chairs to present the priority list to the Executive Appropriations Committee.

The motion passed with a vote of 8-0-7.

Yeas:

Rep. L. Christensen
Sen. W. Harper
Rep. T. Hawkes
Rep. L. Hemingway
Sen. D. Hemmert
Sen. K. Mayne
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. L. Perry

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. G. Davis
Rep. S. Duckworth
Rep. S. Eliason
Sen. L. Fillmore
Rep. D. McCay
Rep. M. Poulson
Sen. T. Weiler

MOTION: Rep. Hemingway moved to adjourn.
The motion passed with a vote of 8-0-7.

Yeas:

Rep. L. Christensen
Sen. W. Harper
Rep. T. Hawkes
Rep. L. Hemingway
Sen. D. Hemmert
Sen. K. Mayne
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. L. Perry

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. G. Davis
Rep. S. Duckworth
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The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.