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Overview: Study Items and Required Reports

Government Operations Interim Committee
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2026 Interim Study Items

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The Legislative Management Committee approved the following list of study items for the Government Operations Interim Committee.

At the first interim meeting (May 20, 2026) the committee may choose to amend the list and must vote to approve a final list of study items for the 2026 interim.



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Study Item	Description
Artificial Intelligence in Political Advertising	Study updating current statute as it pertains to when and how one is required to disclose the use of artificial intelligence in all forms of political advertising materials (e.g., audio, visual, and print), and if statutory language needs to be adjusted to disclose when AI is used to enhance, alter, mislead, etc.



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Study Item	Description
Boards and Commissions	Study the establishment of an ongoing review process for boards and commissions to assess their efficacy and value.



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Study Item	Description
Cooperative Contracts Fund	<p>Evaluate whether the Cooperative Contracts fund should be converted from an internal service fund (ISF) to an enterprise fund (EF). Metrics over the last several years show primary customers for the Cooperative Contract program with the Division of Purchasing are non-state public entities (aligning more closely with the definition of a regulatory fee or enterprise fund).</p> <p>Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) rules specify if more than 50% of revenue is generated outside of state government (this is currently happening with 1% fee charged to cooperative contracts for the Division of Purchasing's revenue), the revenue must be classified as an enterprise fund. Review potential statutory changes for the Cooperative Contract program.</p>



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Study Item	Description
Cost of Elections	Assess and study all costs related to elections, including the cost of ballots, staff costs, wages for poll workers, processing costs, and election day costs. Identify the average cost of elections for counties and municipalities and how costs vary across smaller and larger counties. Fiscal analysis could consist of reviewing costs from the last few years or projected costs in light of the changes coming in 2029.



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Study Item	Description
Election Integrity, Security, and Participation	Study how to ensure election integrity and security while maintaining participation.



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Study Item	Description
Municipal Service Districts	Study Municipal Services Districts, including their governance, transparency, and the scope of their authority regarding planning and zoning.






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Required Reports

2026 Interim Required Reports

 Statutorily Required Reports Government Operations Interim Committee May 20, 2026			
Report	Code	Due Date	Reports Received <small>A report not received won't have a link.</small>
Government Records Office			
801 - Electronic report that includes metrics on the standardization and efficiency of processing appeals and the effective implementation of the records ombudsman's role.	63A-12-202(6)	Annually by September 30	2026 2025
Biennial Executive Board Report			
790 - A report that includes a description of the executive board's purpose, actions taken, and a recommendation on whether any statutory changes are needed to make the board more effective.	67-1-2.5(5) and (6)	In a calendar year in which the administrator prepares a report described in Subsection (5), on or before September 1	2026
Voter Registration Audit Report			
708 - An audit report on voter registration, which, for each voter selected, requires the auditor to verify that the voter is eligible for registration, verify that the voter's registration information is accurate and supported by the documentation on file, verify that there is a signature on file for the voter, check for duplicate voter registrations, and search available resources to determine whether the voter is deceased.	20A-5-901	Biannually	2027 2025 2023





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Additional Notes

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2026 General Session

H.J.R. 1 “Joint Rules Resolution - Amendments to Joint Rules”

- An authorized legislative committee, that is an interim committee, may open up to five committee bill files
- This does not include bills from individual legislators that receive a committee note





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