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35A-11-202 Purpose -- Powers and duties of the commission.

- (1) The commission's purpose is to:
 - (a) increase public and government understanding of the current and future impact and needs of the state's women in the economy and how those needs may be most effectively and efficiently met;
 - (b) identify and recommend implementation of specific policies, procedures, and programs to respond to the rights, needs, and impact of women in the economy; and
 - (c) facilitate coordination of the functions of public and private entities concerned with women in the economy.
- (2) The commission shall:
 - (a) facilitate the communication and coordination of public and private entities that provide services to women or protect the rights of women;
 - (b) study, evaluate, and report on the status and effectiveness of policies, procedures, and programs that provide services to women or protect the rights of women;
 - (c) study and evaluate the policies, procedures, and programs implemented by other states that address the needs of women in the economy or protect the rights of women;
 - (d) facilitate and conduct the research and study of issues related to women in the economy;
 - (e) provide a forum for public comment on issues related to women in the economy;
 - (f) provide public information on women in the economy and the services available to women; and
 - (g) encourage state and local governments to analyze, plan, and prepare for the impact of women in the economy on services and operations.
- (3) To accomplish its duties, the commission may:
 - (a) request and receive from a state or local government agency or institution summary information relating to women in the economy, including:
 - (i) reports;
 - (ii) audits;
 - (iii) projections; and
 - (iv) statistics;
 - (b) apply for and accept grants or donations for uses consistent with the duties of the commission from public or private sources; and
 - (c) appoint one or more special committees to advise and assist the commission.
- (4) Money received under Subsection (3)(b) shall be:
 - (a) accounted for and expended in compliance with the requirements of federal and state law; and
 - (b) continuously available to the commission to carry out the commission's duties.
- (5)
 - (a) A member of a special committee described in Subsection (3)(c):
 - (i) shall be appointed by the commission;
 - (ii) may be:
 - (A) a member of the commission; or
 - (B) an individual from the private or public sector; and
 - (iii) notwithstanding Section 35A-11-201, may not receive reimbursement or pay for any work done in relation to the special committee.
 - (b) A special committee described in Subsection (3)(c) shall report to the commission on the progress of the special committee.

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