

LEGISLATIVE PERFORMANCE AUDIT AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MINUTES

April 4, 2025

The Legislative Performance Audit and Oversight Committee met on Friday, April 4, 2025 at 10:00 AM in the LOB, Room 212.

Members in attendance were as follows:

Rep. Gerald Griffin, Chair
Rep. Lucy Weber
Rep. Ken Weyler
Rep. Keith Erf
Rep. Mary Jane Wallner
Sen. Cindy Rosenwald, Vice Chair
Sen. Timothy Lang
Sen. Howard Pearl
Sen. Keith Murphy

The meeting was called to order by Senator Rosenwald, Past Chair, at 10:00 AM.

VOTE ON CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR:

On a motion by Representative Weyler, seconded by Representative Erf, that Representative Griffin be elected Chair. **MOTION ADOPTED.**

On a motion by Senator Pearl that Senator Rosenwald be elected Vice Chair. **MOTION ADOPTED.**

VOTE ON ACCEPTANCE OF THE DECEMBER 3, 2024 MEETING MINUTES:

On a motion by Representative Weyler, seconded by Representative Weber, that the minutes of the December 3, 2024 meeting be accepted. **MOTION ADOPTED.**

STATUS OF ONGOING PERFORMANCE AUDITS:

Christine Young, Director of Audits, and Jay Henry, Supervisor of Performance Audits, provided the Committee with brief updates of ongoing performance audits:

- NH Commission for Human Rights – the audit is complete and was presented to the Fiscal Committee on February 21st and to the House Judiciary Committee on March 19th.
- State Oversight of Special Education – the audit team is working to conclude their fieldwork, and observations are continuously being developed for completed portions of the work. A draft report is anticipated to be completed by late summer or early fall.

- Education Freedom Account Program – fieldwork began in January and is expected to last through the summer. The process has been slow due to the Department’s staffing situation. Fieldwork continues, and we expect observations to be sent to the Department starting this summer. We are hopeful to have a draft report this fall, and a presentation to the Fiscal Committee by the end of the year.
- Doorway Program – the scope statement was approved in December. We are in the planning phase of the audit conducting interviews, performing risk assessments, and working on the audit plan. A Fiscal Committee presentation is targeted for the end of the year.

SUSPENDED, TABLED, AND POTENTIAL AUDIT TOPICS:

- DHHS Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services and Interplay between DHHS Division of Children, Youth, and Families and the Bureau of Children’s Behavioral Health – these audit topics are suspended due to ongoing litigation. No further action should be taken until litigation has been settled.
- DHHS Contract Management and DHHS Bureau of Developmental Services – remain on the list of potential audit topics.

Director Young asked the Committee for new audit topics for the next meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Senator Lang expressed an interest in having more follow-up done on completed audits. He would like to know how many audit findings remain unresolved in order to determine if the Committee should take any further action. He recommended more oversight be performed on completed audits regularly.

After further discussion, it was agreed that the Audit Division will compile a list of performance audits completed during the past 10 years. The list should include the TransparentNH agency-reported status of the observations included in each audit report. The list will be brought to the Committee for the next meeting and the Committee will discuss the next steps to be taken in terms of audit follow-up.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT:

Next meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 2, 2025, at 10:00 A.M. Representative Griffin adjourned the meeting at 10:37 A.M.



Gerald Griffin, Chair