



GENERAL ASSEMBLY
STATE OF VERMONT
LEGISLATIVE JOINT FISCAL COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 13, 2019

Minutes

Room 5, State House

Members present: Representatives Ancel, Hooper, Fagan, Lippert, and Toll and Senators Ashe, Cummings, Kitchel, Sears, and Westman.

Other Attendees: Administration, Joint Fiscal Office staff, various lobbyists, and advocacy groups.

Stephen Klein, Chief Fiscal Officer, Joint Fiscal Office, convened the meeting at 12:05 p.m. and requested nominations for Chair. Representative Ancel nominated Senator Cummings as Chair, and Senator Westman seconded the nomination. No other nominations were produced, and Mr. Klein closed the nomination for a vote. The Committee voted unanimously in favor of Senator Cummings as Chair.

Senator Cummings, Chair, opened nominations for Vice-chair. Representative Ancel nominated Representative Catherine Toll as Vicechair, and Senator Hooper seconded the nomination. No other nominations were produced, and the Chair closed the nomination for a vote. The Committee voted unanimously in favor of Representative Toll as Vicechair.

The Chair opened nominations for Clerk. Representative Toll nominated Representative Fagan as Clerk, and Representative Hooper seconded the nomination. No other nominations were produced, and the Chair closed the nomination for a vote. The Committee voted unanimously in favor of Representative Fagan as Clerk.

Mr. Klein reviewed the Committee's rules and the Joint Fiscal Office's policies, explaining there had been no changes to the rules since revising grant language in 2017. Representative Ancel moved to adopt the Committee rules and Office policies as presented, and Senator Westman seconded the motion. The Committee approved the motion.

There was a discussion on grants and the grant process, specifically on the amount of time the Administration took for submission of grants. The Committee asked the JFO to write a memo to the Administration on the timing of grants.

The Committee adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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