



**STATE OF VERMONT**  
**LEGISLATIVE JOINT FISCAL COMMITTEE**

**REVISED AGENDA**

Thursday, July 16, 2009

Room 11, State House

- 9:30 a.m. Call to Order
1. Approve Minutes of February 12, 2009
- 9:35 a.m. 2. Fiscal Officer's Report  
*Stephen Klein, Chief Fiscal Officer [enclosure]*
- a. Issues for action/approval:
    - I. Contract Issues: (ENVY/Gundersen, extension of one-year revenue estimating contract/Kavet, one-year contract extension for Steve Kappel, and Deb Brighton).  
**{Gundersen approved, revenue estimating extended for Kavet; Kappel and Brighton extended}**
    - II. Current Use subcommittee consideration  
**{approved – Sen. Snelling and Rep. Ancel appointed}**
    - III. Education Fund Stabilization Reserve  
*Mark Perrault, Joint Fiscal Office [2 handouts]*
  - b. Report on Global Commitment – Catamount and Medicaid Caseload Expenditures  
*Stephanie Barrett, Joint Fiscal Office [5 handouts]*
- 10:00 a.m. 3. Other Fiscal Issues
- a. BISHCA - Transfer of unencumbered balances  
*[Sec. 67 (a)(2) of Act 4 (H.232) of 2009]*  
*Paulette Thabault, Commissioner of BISHCA [handout] {approved}*
  - b. Preliminary update of retirement incentive  
*Michael Clasen, Dir., Retirement Operations, Office of the Treasurer [handout]*  
**{Requested that the lottery be postponed until JFC August 5, 2009 meeting}**
  - c. Preview of Rutland Regional Medical Center Process  
*[Sec. 32 (c)(3) of Act 43 (H.445) of 2009]*  
*Michael Hartman, Commissioner of Dept. of Mental Health [handout]*
  - d. Grant Reduction Plan *[Sec. B.1104(b) of Act 1 of SS 2009] [2 handouts]*  
*Robert Hofmann, Secretary, and Jim Giffin, Agency of Human Services*
  - e. Agency of Human Services Reports:  
*Barbara Cimaglio, Deputy Commissioner of Agency of Human Services*
    1. Report on Chittenden County Pilot Program  
*[Sec. E.300 (f) of Act 1 of SS 2009]*
    2. Draft rules/draft procedure for establishing rates for Maple Leaf Farm, Serenity House and Valley Vista residential providers *[Sec. E.313(g) of Act 1 of SS 2009] [handout] {subcommittee appointed to assist in decision-making:*

- Senators Bartlett, Sears, Shumlin and Snelling, and Rep. Heath***
3. Treatment services reduction and disbursement of funds to providers plan  
*[Sec. E.313(h) of Act 1 of SS 2009] [handout]*  
***[subcommittee appointed in 3.e.2. to assist in reduction savings plan]***

- 11:20 a.m. 4. Preliminary Closeout Report  
*James Reardon, Commissioner, Dept. of Finance & Management [handout]*
- 11:45 a.m. 5. Revenue Update and Discussion  
*Tom Kavet, Legislature's Economist [2 handouts] {Rep. Larson appointed to develop a recommendation for a future agenda 'for underlying background growth rates (VEGI...).'}*
- 12:30 p.m. Next meeting dates/times confirmation (Aug. 5 and Sept. 10)
- 12:32 p.m. Recess for Emergency Board Meeting
- 2:30 p.m. Reconvene
6. Cost reduction position savings plan context *[Act 2 of SS 2009, Sec 10 (d)]*
- a. *Stephen Klein*
- b. Positions savings, reductions and plan report  
*James Reardon, Agency of Administration [2 handouts]*
- c. Agency/Department responses on impacts of reductions to programs and workflow.  
*Jonathon Wood, Secretary (ANR/DEC)*  
*Joan Senecal (DAIL)*  
*Christine Finley, Deputy Commissioner (VDH)*  
*Rob Hofmann (AHS)*  
*Raeann Knopf, ARRA Funds Coordinator (ED)*
- d. Vermont State Employees Response to Positions  
*Jes Kraus, Director, VSEA*
- 4:30 p.m. Adjourn

**\*Emergency Board will meet at 1:00 p.m. in the 5<sup>th</sup> floor Pavilion Office Bldg., 109 State Street**

**\*Joint Transportation Oversight Committee will meet at 9:00 a.m. in Room 10, State House.**

Other Reports/Information:

- I. Transfer of FY09 DOC GF from Correctional Services appropriation to out-of-state beds appropriation *[Section 110 of Act 4 (H.232) of 2009, adding Sec. 5.224 (f) of Act 192 of 2008]*  
*[Agency of Administration] [enclosure]*
- II. Quarterly Report of costs and expenditures for proceedings of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission *[30 V.S.A. § 20 (b)(9)].[Department and Board – Public Service] [enclosure]*
- III. Report on excess receipts establishing/increasing the scope of a program.  
*[32 V.S.A. § 511] [Agency of Administration] [NOT received]*
- IV. Report on status of training programs and expenditures.  
*[32 V.S.A. § 8557 (b)] [VT Fire Service Training Council] [3 handouts]*

- V. Global commitment fund detailed end of fiscal year report of managed care investments. *[33 V.S.A. § 1901e (c)] [JFO – 7/16/09 agenda 2.b. item and AHS 9/10/09 agenda]*
- VI. VT Health Access quarterly progress report on purchasing agreements for pharmacy best practices and cost control program. *[33 V.S.A. § 1998 (c)(6)] [Agency of Human Services] [8/5/09 agenda]*
- VIII. 2009 Joint Annual Report on Economic Advancement Tax Incentives *[32 V.S.A. § 5930a. (j)] [Department of Taxes and VT Economic Progress Council] [enclosure]*
- VIII. 2009 Joint Annual Report on Vermont Economic Growth Incentives *[32 V.S.A. § 5930b (e)] [Department of Taxes and VT Economic Progress Council] [enclosure]*
- IX. Thayer School proposal *[Sec. 32(d) of Act 200 (S.365) of 2008] [Dept. of Buildings & General Services] [enclosure]*
- X. Vermont Yankee issue update 5/11/09 *[previously mailed]*
- XI. Small Grant & Gift Requests – Quarterly Report *[Joint Fiscal Office] [previously mailed]*
- XII. Seasonal Fuel Assistance Statistics 2008-2009 *[Dept. for Children & Family] [handout]*
- XIII. Implementation Plan for On-line Property Transfer Tax System *[H.39 of Act 1 of SS2009] [handout]*