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Attending

JLARC Members: Delegate Lacey E. Putney, Chairman; Senator Thomas K. Norment, Vice-Chairman; Senator John H. Chichester; Senator Charles J. Colgan; Delegate Kirkland Cox; Delegate Morgan Griffith; Delegate Frank Hargrove; Delegate Harry J. Parrish; Delegate Leo C. Wardrup; Senator Martin Williams; Mr. Walter J. Kucharski, Ex Officio.

JLARC Staff: Phil Leone, Director; Glen Tittermary, Deputy Director; Janice Baab, Aris Bearse, Trish Bishop, Justin Brown, Ashley Colvin, Eileen Fleck, Hal Greer, Michelle Hebert-Giffen, Joan Irby, Jennifer Jenkins, Paula Lambert, John Long, Brad Marsh, Eric Messick, Nathalie Molliet-Ribet, Jason Powell, Greg Rest, Bob Rotz, Kimberly Sarte, Walt Smiley, Tracey Smith, Christine Wolfe, and Kent Wyatt.

Others: Goren Gustavsson, Auditor of Public Accounts staff; Paul Van Lenten, Anne Oman, and Craig Burns, House Appropriations Committee staff; Paula Otto, VCU School of Mass Communications; Jeff Shapiro, Richmond Times Dispatch; Karin Clark, DSS Policy & Planning; Fran Bradford, William and Mary; Mary Jo Fields, Virginia Municipal League; Mark Pratt, Health Care Association; Pete Giesen, Lobbyist; Mike Porter, WWBT12 Channel 12 News (NBC).

The meeting was called to order at 10:09 a.m. by Delegate Putney, Chairman. Delegate Putney recognized Phil Leone who provided an overview of the meeting agenda (Enclosure 1) and the 2005 Legislative and Executive Impact of JLARC Studies (Enclosure 2). Mr. Leone then introduced Glen Tittermary who began the presentation of the 2005 JLARC Workplan (Enclosure 3) by providing an overview of the projects under his supervision. These included: (1) *Homeland Security Funding and Preparedness in Virginia*, (2) *Growth in State Spending (2005 Update)*, (3) *Impact of Assisted Living Facility Regulations*, (4) *Impact of the Aging State Workforce*, (5) *Virginia Retirement System Oversight (VRS)*, (6) *Implementation Review of the Virginia Information*

Technologies Agency (VITA), (7) Internal Service Fund Oversight, and (8) Ongoing Computer Resources and Website Support. He then turned the meeting over to Aris Bearse, project member of the Homeland Security study.

Mr. Bearse gave a brief overview of the Homeland Security study and then turned the meeting over to Walt Smiley who spoke about the 2005 State spending update. After several questions from the Commission, Mr. Smiley continued with a brief overview of the assisted living facility study. He then introduced Trish Bishop who provided an overview on the aging State workforce study and the staff's VRS oversight activities. Ms. Bishop then turned the presentation over to Glen Tittermary, project leader for the VITA implementation review study.

Mr. Tittermary provided a brief overview of the staff's VITA implementation review, oversight of internal service funds, and his ongoing responsibilities for computer systems support. Mr. Tittermary then introduced Bob Rotz, Division Chief, who gave a brief overview of the projects assigned to his division: (1) *Special Report: State Spending on Standards of Quality (SOQ) Costs*, (2) *Review of the Land Application of Biosolids in Virginia*, and (3) *Review of the Impact of the Aging Population on State Agencies*. Mr. Rotz continued with an overview of the SOQ Special Report, then introduced Eric Messick, project leader for the Biosolids study.

Mr. Messick provided a brief overview of the study, then turned the meeting over to Ashley Colvin, project leader for the aging study. Mr. Colvin presented a summary of the aging study and then introduced Hal Greer, Division Chief.

Mr. Greer provided the Commission with a brief overview of the projects assigned to his division: (1) *Review of the Operation and Performance of Virginia's Social Services System*, (2) *Effectiveness of Virginia's Social Services System in Fostering Greater Self-Sufficiency*, and (3) *Review of Medicaid Reimbursement Rates for Home and Community-Based Services*. Mr. Greer then introduced Justin Brown, project leader of the social services operation and performance study.

Mr. Brown gave a brief overview of the study, then turned the presentation over to Nathalie Molliet-Ribet, project leader of the self-sufficiency study. After summarizing this study, Ms. Molliet-Robet introduced Kimberly Sarte, project leader for the Medicaid reimbursement rate study.

At the conclusion of Ms. Sarte's presentation, Delegate Putney asked if there were any questions of the Commission and

requested a motion to approve the 2005 Annual Workplan (Enclosure 4). A motion was made and seconded to accept the 2005 Annual Workplan and it was approved by the Commission.


Walt Kucharski then presented the Auditor of Public Accounts workplan and the agency's salary scale adjustments (Enclosure 5).

Following Mr. Kucharski's presentation, Senator Colgan moved to approve the APA's workplan (Enclosure 6). This motion was seconded by Senator Norment, and the workplan was approved by the Commission.

Following the approval of the APA workplan, Senator Williams provided a motion to approve the APA salary scale adjustments, which was seconded by Senator Colgan. The salary scale adjustments were approved by the Commission.

Mr. Kucharski then provided the Commission with a brief presentation of the APA's prototype database containing data for expenditures of all Executive, Legislative, and Judicial branch agencies. He noted that this information will not be available to the public until October 2005.

There being no further business, the Commission rose at 12:15 p.m.

Approved by: 
Philip A. Leone, Director

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