# MINUTES Legislative Post Audit Committee January 18, 2023

### **Call to Order**

**Welcome** – The meeting was called to order by Chairman Rob Olson at 12:00 p.m. in Room 546-S of the Statehouse. Committee members present:

Sen. Rob Olson, Chairman

Sen. Ethan Corson

Sen. Mike Thompson

Sen. Caryn Tyson

Sen. Mary Ware

Rep. Shannon Francis

Rep. Jason Probst

Rep. Tom Sawyer

Rep. Sean Tarwater

Rep. Kristey Williams

#### **Performance Audits and Evaluations**

**Evaluation of Commerce's Major Incentive Programs** – Josh Luthi, Principal Auditor, presented the findings from the economic development evaluation and answered questions from the committee. Bob North, Chief Counsel at the Department of Commerce, provided testimony and answered questions from the committee.

This evaluation will be distributed to all legislators.

## **Committee Organization**

**Electing Committee Leadership** – Chris Clarke, Post Auditor, reviewed the process for electing new leadership.

<u>Chair:</u> Senator Olson opened the floor for nominations. Representative Williams nominated Representative Tarwater for Chair. Senator Tyson seconded the motion. Senator Olson opened the floor to other nominations. There were no other nominations. Senator Olson called for a vote by acclamation. Representative Williams made the motion, and it was seconded by Representative Francis. Representative Tarwater was elected unanimously.

<u>Vice-Chair</u>: Senator Olson opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Chair. Senator Tyson nominated Senator Olson for Vice-Chair. Representative Williams seconded the motion. Senator Olson opened the floor to other nominations. There were no other nominations. Senator Olson called for a

vote by acclamation. Senator Corson made the motion, and it was seconded by Representative Francis. Senator Olson was elected unanimously.

<u>Executive Subcommittee member:</u> Senator Olson opened the floor for nominations for the third Executive Subcommittee member. Senator Corson nominated Senator Ware. Senator Olson seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. Senator Olson called for a vote by acclamation. Senator Corson made the motion, and it was seconded by Senator Thompson. Senator Ware was elected unanimously.

**Adoption of Committee Rules** – Senator Thompson made a motion to adopt the committee rules. Senator Corson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

#### **Consent Calendar**

Kristen Rottinghaus, Deputy Post Auditor, reviewed the consent calendar. The consent calendar included approval of the December 12, 2022 meeting minutes and acceptance of the completed economic development incentive evaluation presented at today's meeting. There were no objections, so the items were approved.

## **Additional Business**

**Date of next meeting** – Chris Clarke, Post Auditor, outlined the reports LPA will be ready to release during the session. She indicated she would work with Chairman Tarwater to identify dates for several committee meetings during the session to release those reports. She will communicate those dates to members at a later time. The committee will meet next Wednesday, January 25 to hear a statutorily required update from the Department of Commerce.

## Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:58 p.m.

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Nicole Blanchett, Secretary Legislative Post Audit Committee date

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