

2A.4 Specific services — public policy recommendations restricted.

The legislative services agency shall provide the following specific services:

1. Preparation of legal and legislative analysis of any governmental matter upon the proper request of members and committees of the general assembly. Such analysis shall not contain any public policy recommendations. Such legal analysis shall be provided through the exercise of an attorney-employee's independent, professional judgment.
2. Drafting and preparation of legislation, including bills, resolutions, and amendments, for committees and individual members of the general assembly; proposed bills and joint resolutions for state agencies and the governor in accordance with section 2.16; and bills embodying a plan of legislative and congressional redistricting prepared in accordance with chapter 42.
3. Fiscal analysis of legislation, and state expenditure, revenue, and budget review. The director of the agency or the director's designee may make recommendations to the general assembly concerning the state's expenditures and revenues.
4. Attendance at the budget hearings required by section 8.26. The director of the agency may offer explanations or suggestions and make inquiries with respect to such budget hearings.
5. Assistance to standing committees and members of the general assembly in attaching fiscal notes to bills and resolutions as provided by the rules of the general assembly.
6. Performance of the duties pertaining to the preparation of correctional impact statements as provided in section 2.56.
7. Furnishing information, acting in an advisory capacity, providing staffing services, and reporting to standing, statutory, and interim committees of the general assembly.
8. Provision of staffing services including but not limited to preparation of legal and legislative analysis for the administrative rules review committee.
9. Preparation of legal and legislative analysis for the legislative council with respect to rules and forms submitted by the supreme court to the legislative council pursuant to section 602.4202.
10. Review and oversight of state program operations and program evaluation of state agencies, including compliance, efficiency, and effectiveness determinations, as required by section 2A.7.
11. Provision of legislative computer systems services to the senate, house of representatives, and central legislative staff agencies, and provision of advice regarding legislative computer systems services, needs, capabilities, and uses to the legislative council and the general assembly.
12. Maintenance of an up-to-date listing of all appointments made or to be made by members of the general assembly as required by section 2.32A and in accordance with section 69.16B. The legislative services agency may post on the general assembly's internet site information regarding the organization and activities of boards, commissions, councils, and committees to which members of the general assembly make appointments.

2003 Acts, ch 35, §4, 49; 2008 Acts, ch 1156, §3, 58