

REPORT OF THE FISCAL COMMITTEE TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

January 3, 1996

The Fiscal Committee met January 3, 1996, in the Speakers Conference Room of the State Capitol.

The Committee made no recommendations to the Council.

The Committee discussed:

- Revenue Update
- Electronic Access to LFB Data including
 - A LFB staff directory with access to electronic mail (email),
 - Committee and subcommittee assignments,
 - Financial information including appropriations tracking, balance sheet, taxes, and receipts,
 - Monthly revenue memo,
 - Miscellaneous information and publications including: Fiscal Update, Issue Reviews, State Employee Salary Book, Department Budget Requests and Governor's Budget Recommendations Analysis, LFB Factbook, Fiscal Notes, and Notes on Bills and Amendments (NOBAs).
- Federal Update:
 - Memo from Jon Neiderbach with an update on Congressional action.
 - Telephone conference call with Phil Smith, State/Federal Office in Washington, D.C.
 - Review of budget activities pending in Washington, D.C. by Lorin Knapp, Department of Revenue and Finance.
- Regents Academic Revenue Bonds
 - Jon Studer, LFB, reviewed an *Issue Review*, "Summary of Regents Bonding".
 - Ken Haynie, Bond Attorney, and Barry Fick, Vice President, Springsted Inc., Regents' Public Financial Advisors, explained the Regents' bonding process.
- Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).
 - Calvin McKelvogue, Department of Revenue and Finance, presented information on CAFR and GASB, and reviewed the budget stabilization funds of various states and how Iowa compares.
- Richard Johnson, State of Iowa Auditor, commented on the current condition of the State's finances and reviewed alternatives for managing the surplus funds. He

recommended approving a five-year plan for the ICN appropriations. Auditor Johnson also reviewed his "Iowa Infrastructure 2000" Report.

- Current and Planned Cash Management Practices and Infrastructure Funding
 - Gretchen Tegeler, Director, DOM, discussed the current and planned cash management practices and infrastructure funding.
- Alternatives for Managing the Surplus (Cash on Hand vs. Retiring Debt) and Providing a Dedicated Funding Source for Infrastructure.
 - A roundtable discussion on various alternatives by Myrt Levine, and Kenneth Haynie, representing the private sector; and Auditor Richard Johnson, and Treasurer Michael Fitzgerald, representing the State of Iowa.
- Outcome-Based Performance Budgeting (Now known as Budgeting for Results).
 - Presentation by Marv Weidner, DOM.
 - Doug Wulf, LFB, reviewed an *Issue Review*, "Outcome-Based Performance Budgeting (Now known as Budgeting for Results)".
- Franchise Tax Issues
 - Presentation by Jon Muller, LFB
- County Budgeting Under Property Tax Limitation
 - Jon Muller, LFB, reviewed an *Issue Review*, "County Budgeting Under Property Tax Limitation".
- Update on Privatization Efforts and the Information Technology (IT) Assessment and Evaluation.
- ICN Update
- Lease Purchases/Appropriations Transactions
- Plans for a Seminar on Federal Funds.

Respectfully submitted,

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Co-chairperson

Representative Dave Millage
Co-chairperson