

## **2.45 Committees of the legislative council.**

The legislative council shall be divided into committees, which shall include but not be limited to:

1. The legislative service committee which shall be composed of six members of the legislative council, consisting of three members from each house, to be appointed by the legislative council. The legislative service committee shall select a chairperson from its membership, and shall determine policies relating to the operation of the legislative services agency, subject to the approval of the legislative council.
2. The legislative fiscal committee, composed of the chairpersons or their designated committee member and the ranking minority party members or their designated committee member of the committees of the house and senate responsible for developing a state budget and appropriating funds, the chairpersons or their designated committee member and the ranking minority party members or their designated committee member of the committees on ways and means, and two members, one appointed from the majority party of the senate by the majority leader of the senate and one appointed from the majority party of the house by the speaker of the house of representatives. In each house, unless one of the members who represent the committee on ways and means is also a member of the legislative council, the person appointed from the membership of the majority party in that house shall also be appointed from the membership of the legislative council.
3. The legislative administration committee which shall be composed of six members of the legislative council, consisting of three members from each house, to be appointed by the legislative council. The legislative administration committee shall perform such duties as are assigned it by the legislative council.
4. The legislative capital projects committee which shall be composed of ten members appointed as follows:
  - a. Two senate members of the legislative fiscal committee or the senate committee on appropriations, one to be appointed by the majority leader of the senate and one to be appointed by the minority leader of the senate.
  - b. Two house members of the legislative fiscal committee or the house committee on appropriations, one to be appointed by the speaker of the house and one to be appointed by the minority leader of the house.
  - c. The chairpersons of the senate and house committees on appropriations.
  - d. Four members of the legislative council, one appointed by the speaker of the house, one by the majority leader of the senate, one by the minority leader of the house, and one by the minority leader of the senate.

The chairperson of the legislative council shall designate the chairperson or chairpersons of the legislative capital projects committee.

5.
  - a. The legislative oversight committee composed of members designated by the legislative council. In addition to the duties assigned by the legislative council, the committee shall systematically review the programs, agencies, and functions of the executive and judicial branches of government to ensure that public resources are used in the most efficient manner to benefit the people of Iowa.
  - b. The committee shall implement a systematic process of assessing the programs, agencies, and functions. Annually, by October 1, the committee shall identify the programs, agencies, and functions that will be subject to review and evaluation in the succeeding calendar year. An agency of state government selected by the committee for review and evaluation shall provide information as required by the committee, which may include but is not limited to the following:

(1) Identifying the activities, services, products, and functions of the agency, including identifying those that

are required and the source of the requirement. At minimum, the sources identified shall include state law, state administrative rule, federal law, and federal regulation.

(2) Specifying for all activities, services, products, and functions, the users or clientele, and the current level of need for and the level of satisfaction with the activity, service, product, or function.

(3) Listing each discretionary activity, service, product, or function of the agency that is not required by state law, state administrative rule, federal law, or federal regulation.

(4) Identifying the degree of alignment between the agency strategic plan adopted pursuant to section 8E.206 and the requirements of the agency in state law and administrative rule.

(5) Identifying alternative methods of providing the agency's existing activities, services, products, and functions, and quantifying the impact to Iowans if such activities, services, products, or functions are no longer provided by the agency.

[C97, § 181; S13, § 181; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, § **39, 40**; C46, 50, § 2.41, 2.42; C54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, § 2.41; C75, 77, 79, 81, § 2.45]

86 Acts, ch 1245, § 2006; 89 Acts, ch 298, § 1; 2002 Acts, ch 1162, §74; 2003 Acts, ch 35, §11, 44, 49