

REPORT OF THE SERVICE COMMITTEE TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

May 27, 1998

The Service Committee of the Legislative Council met on May 27, 1998, and makes the following report and recommendations to the Legislative Council:

1. The Service Committee received and filed the personnel reports from the Legislative Fiscal Bureau, Legislative Service Bureau, Computer Support Bureau, and the Office of Citizens' Aide/Ombudsman.
2. The Service Committee recommends that the Legislative Council approve the following budgetary authorizations:
 - Permit the Legislative Fiscal Bureau to carry over and expend during fiscal year 1999 moneys that were authorized, but not expended, during fiscal year 1998 to update the Iowa Income Tax Model data base.
 - Permit the Legislative Service Bureau to carry over and expend during fiscal year 1999 moneys that were authorized, but not expended, during fiscal year 1998 to publish a new edition of the Iowa Court Rules.
 - Permit the Office of Citizens' Aide/Ombudsman to carry over and expend during fiscal year 1999 moneys that were authorized, but not expended, during fiscal year 1998 to continue development of a computer management data software system.
3. The Service Committee received an oral report from Grant Dugdale, Assistant Attorney General, concerning possible modifications to the Personnel Guidelines for the Central Legislative Staff Agencies. Mr. Dugdale's report outlined the following issues which the Legislative Council may wish to address concerning the guidelines:
 - Use of the legislative computer system and state telephone system.
 - Substance abuse policy modifications.
 - Workplace violence policies.
4. The Service Committee received a report from the Director of the Computer Support Bureau concerning the difficulty in hiring and retaining information technology professionals.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chairperson