

MINUTES
Approved by the Committee
Committee on Federalism
Tuesday, March 22, 2022
12:30 P.M.
EW41
Boise, Idaho

Members in attendance: Cochair Senator Steve Vick and Senators Crabtree, Johnson(Blair), Harris, and Nelson; Representatives Boyle and Horman. Absent/excused: Cochair Representative Dixon and Representatives Blanksma and Mathias. LSO staff in attendance: Katharine Gerrity (via video conference) and Jennifer Kish.

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Cochair Vick called the meeting to order at 12:33 p.m.; a silent roll call was taken.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION REGARDING RESPONSE TO RFP

Cochair Vick called Ms. Julie Weaver, Section Chief of the General Counsel and Fair Hearing Unit, Office of the Attorney General, to the podium for comments regarding any additional information needed before a decision was made as to the selected vendor. Ms. Weaver explained that it was within the committee's purview to request that the AG's office negotiate the agreement. If the committee went that direction, Ms. Weaver requested that the committee identify whom from the committee the AG's office should consult with during negotiations. She added that it was up to the committee to identify whether the committee as a whole would need to review the negotiated contract or whether it wished to delegate individuals from the committee to approve the negotiated contract.

Senator Crabtree moved that the committee authorize the AG's office negotiate an agreement with AEON (Utah) that would include in the analysis Boundary, Clearwater, and Canyon Counties and that the parameters of that analysis be kept under the authorized \$250,000 in the final agreement. Seconded by Senator Harris; motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Cochair Vick asked the committee whether it desired to meet again to approve the negotiated agreement or whether it desired to delegate responsibilities to certain committee members. Senator Harris asked whether the cochairs would be willing to assist the AG's office in the negotiations. Cochair Vick noted that it would possibly expedite the process rather than finding a time that the committee members could meet again, but that he would expect to share the agreement with members for feedback. **Senator Harris moved that the committee designate Cochairs Vick and Dixon to negotiate the agreement and provide the final draft to the committee when satisfied. Seconded by Representative Horman; motion passed by majority vote, Senator Nelson to be recorded as voting Nay.**

With no further business before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 12:38 p.m.