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LEGISLATIVE NOTES:

LEGIS MEETINGS/RECEPTIONS:

Should we move forward with the following legis meetings/receptions:

- K-12 Education Conversation Meeting with our legislative group to inform them of our plan:
 - Senators: Courson, Matthews, Hayes, Setzler
 - House Members: Allison, Bingham, Hayes
 - *We have not met with this group together since Phase I.*
- Allison and Bingham K-12 Follow up Meeting – KV and JB
 - Our first meeting with Allison and Bingham was on September 16 at that time we discussed a general list of ideas.
 - We told them we would have follow up meeting with them to discuss more specifics based on their feedback and follow ups with Molly.
- Senate and House Legislative Receptions
 - We cancelled the original Senate reception date for November 5.
 - Potential new dates are Oct 26 or Oct 29 - because these dates are 2 weeks away should we push for a later date or cancel the receptions all together?

BOND STUDY COMMITTEE:

- Capital Bond Study Committee - Thursday, October 15th at 1:00 p.m. - room 105 Gressette.
- Sheheen and Rutherford will be the mouth piece for relief fund
- Peeler – would like to work with us on what the report looks like – his goal is to
 - Walldorf – Gov appointee
 - Ellison – Gov appointee
 - Sobel – Gov appointee
 - Alexander – Leatherman appointee
 - Peeler – Peeler appointee
 - Sheheen – Setzler appointee
 - Merrill – White appointee
 - Clary – Bannister appointee
 - Rutherford – Rutherford appointee

REFUGEES RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM:

- There are 23 legislators who have asked for information about the Refugee Resettlement Program.
- Attached is the draft Q&A about the Refugee Resettlement Program. DSS has signed off on it.
- Are we able to send this information to the legislators?

Legislative feedback:

- Special Session – what are thoughts? Do we need the money?

- Infrastructure bill
- Supplemental Bill

- There is chatter out there about gov comments....“How FEMA is fantastic” and “all people will be taken of...”
- Philosophical beliefs about FEMA - roads, dams, state buildings etc.
 - – She’s not going to give away money who aren’t eligible? FEMA should love her...she’s rebranding FEMA – for sure. We are not going to pay for people who didn’t have flood insurance and could have?
- Hope we can capitalize Secretary Hall’s leadership in efforts to pass a restricting bill for DOT – that might be the only way with the LAC report, Leatherman, and with the lack of interest to pass