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What concerns me is that almost everything on my list is Senate language that appears in the draft report. Since they started with the House bill as the baseline, that means that someone made an affirmative effort to replace the House language with the Senate's. So I suspect that means we're swimming upstream on almost all of these.

The other thing that stood out for me is that almost nothing on this list has actually been discussed in the conference committees (at least on microphone).

Anyway, I'll copy you on the email to the House and Senate staffers...

On pensions...I didn't have the impression that anyone was officially drafting a conference report at this point.

I don't know how many members will be in town on Monday now, since the 3PM has been scrubbed. I agree we oughta take a run at some/most of the 3066 participants, though.

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The attachment is perfect. How about we send it to Ken, Erin and Patrick so that no one feels "blindsided" by our comments/objections.

We should ask Harrison and Lucas and Massey (I suspect Martin will go along with these 3) if they would all agree to incorporate these changes. If so, they can direct staff to make changes.

Do we reach out to White too?

Some changes are clarifications so staff should go ahead and make them in the interest of time.

Katherine - how do we get to 4 conferees on Monday to come to some final agreements on Christian's changes/preferences?

That leaves Bingham and Setzler on PEBA. I hope we get some clarity from them Monday.

BTW, who is drafting pension reform conf report?

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OK, I've done a first read-through on the conference draft. If you look back at our May 30th list, just about half of our preferred items appear in it. I have no idea how faithfully this draft reflects (1) the intent of the drafting attorneys and/or (2) the ultimate will of the conference committee, but if the final report were to resemble this, then here's the rough score. There are more bullet points under "bad" than "good" but I don't think the points are of equal value. The wins are generally the more important items...for now, anyway.

Take a look at the attachment if you get a chance. I'm thinking if you're OK, I'd pass it along to Ken tomorrow night with some commentary. Thanks.

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GOOD

- Legislative Oversight - Effective date, 7 years (I think - they say 4 in some places, but I think it's an editing error), and no contempt felony. Doesn't have the 2/3 requirement for extra meetings, but that's the least important item anyway.
- Procurement Review Panel not currently tampered with
- DoA can reorganize itself (but likely conflicts with "governing authority" language below)
- Tobacco Settlement Revenue Management Authority doesn't go to SCRIA
- Inspector General stays independent
- OEPP language is in
- Procurement reforms are in

BAD

- Mandates SCEIS and Capitol Complex line item requests (I'm pretty sure I'm alone in caring about this)
- Approval of statewide policies
- Procurement felony
- Joint Strategic Technology Committee and biennial Statewide Strategic Technology Plan (former is much worse than latter)
- Governing Authority language
- SCRIA Board changed, plus money transferred there
- Revenue and Fiscal Affairs model
- IRF reforms are not in
- Real estate thresholds
- Conduit bond language not included
- Vacant FTE language

MIXED BAG

- Not sure what's happening with Budget Office(s)...couple editing issues, it appears
- No idea what's up with PEBA

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