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STATEMENT

May 22, 2020 Concluding 2020 Reviews



Joint Legislative Oversight
& Sunset Committee

STATEMENT FROM THE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE & OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

On May 14, 2020, House Speaker Peter C. Schwartzkopf and Senate President Pro Tempore David B. McBride issued a joint memo announcing that the General Assembly will meet virtually to conclude this legislative session. The joint memo included the list of legislative bodies that will meet throughout May and June 2020; the Joint Legislative Oversight and Sunset Committee (“JLOSC”) was not on the list.

Although the COVID-19 pandemic cut short our review and public meetings schedule, our work continues. Because JLOSC will not meet to release any entities from review, all entities currently under review are considered held over until JLOSC meets again, presumably in January 2021. The entities are: Council on Correction; Division for the Visually Impaired; Delaware Health Information Network; * Adult Protective Services; * Delaware Advisory Council on Career and Technical Education; * Delaware Interscholastic Athletic Association; Conservation District Operations Program; DNREC Division of Watershed Stewardship; Delaware Health Resources Board; and Delaware Nursing Home Resident Quality Assurance Commission.

Until JLOSC meets again, our analysts will continue to work with the entities and compile research to provide JLOSC with updates, so JLOSC will be ready to continue the reviews when it meets again. The analysts will also publish a draft 2020 Final Report on the JLOSC website by July 1, 2020. JLOSC will discuss and vote to approve the report at its next meeting.

We know this is an unusual end to an unusual review session. We appreciate everyone’s understanding and look forward to meeting as a committee again next year.

Sincerely,

Representative David Bentz
Chair, JLOSC

Senator S. Elizabeth Lockman
Vice Chair, JLOSC

* These entities have been released contingent upon the occurrence of the enactment of legislation or the submission of a report.