



SC HOUSE LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Dear Colleagues,

Until April 1, 2019, there is an **online survey seeking public input** on the next six agencies under study by the Legislative Oversight Committee. This survey seeks public input about the **Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services; Department of Education; Housing Finance and Development Authority; Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services; Rural Infrastructure Authority; and Office of the Secretary of State.**

Constituents are encouraged to take the survey, which provides an opportunity to share with the Committee any comments, concerns, or suggestions they may have about these six agencies. **To take the survey, go to <https://www.research.net/r/LOCMarch2019PublicSurvey>.** The Committee encourages you to share this link with your constituents. In the alternative, respondents can go to www.scstatehouse.gov, click on the "Citizens' Interest" tab on the top row, then click on the "House Legislative Oversight" link.

While the survey is available until April 1, constituents may contact the Committee anytime, online or otherwise, to share comments, concerns, or suggestions about state agencies.

Listed below please find a copy of the media release issued to help inform the public about this survey.

Sincerely,

Wm. Weston J. Newton

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE OVERSIGHT OF STATE AGENCIES:

**Your input is wanted on the six agencies recently announced for study by the
SC House Legislative Oversight Committee:**

- *Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services;*
- *Department of Education;*
- *Housing Finance and Development Authority;*
- *Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services;*
- *Rural Infrastructure Authority; and*
- *Office of the Secretary of State.*

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Oversight Committee are pleased to announce an online survey seeking public input on the next six agencies under study by the House Legislative Oversight Committee. These agencies are the Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services; Department of Education; Housing Finance and Development Authority; Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services; Rural Infrastructure Authority; and Office of the Secretary of State.

The public is encouraged to use the survey to share with the Committee any comments, concerns, or suggestions about these six agencies. It can be found at this link: <https://www.research.net/r/LOCMarch2019PublicSurvey>. While this survey will only be open until April 1, 2019, members of the public may contact the Committee anytime to share comments, concerns, or suggestions about state agencies.

What: Survey, which may be completed in a few minutes, seeking public input

When: Until April 1, 2019

Where: Online from home, school, or public library

The link to take the survey is <https://www.research.net/r/LOCMarch2019PublicSurvey>

Who: Entire public and agency personnel are encouraged to take the survey

Input and observations from people who interact with these agencies are important because they may help direct the Committee to potential areas for agency improvement. The Committee's vision is for South Carolina agencies to become, and continuously remain, the most effective state agencies in the country through processes which eliminate waste and efficiently deploy resources, thereby creating greater confidence in state government.

The House's legislative oversight process, in particular through its emphasis on public input, is proving to be an instrument of change in state agencies. The [122nd General Assembly Transparency Report to Citizens](#) provides more information about the work of the House Legislative Oversight Committee and how it is generating outcomes for South Carolinians. During the 122nd General Assembly, members of the public provided 2,783 responses to similar surveys about agencies under study.

Listed below is a QRC (Quick Response Code) for convenience in accessing the survey using an app on a smartphone or tablet.

