

State of Washington
Citizen Commission for Performance Measurement of Tax Preferences

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Citizen Commission for Performance Measurement of Tax Preferences
Meeting Minutes

September 27, 2023
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

John L. O'Brien Building
House Hearing Room A, Olympia, WA
And Virtual

Commission Members Present:

Dr. Grant Forsyth
James Orr

Dr. Sharon Kioko

Andi Nofziger-Meadows

Non-voting Members Present:

Senator Mark Mullet, JLARC Chair

Pat McCarthy, Washington State Auditor

Staff Present:

Eric Thomas
Marilyn Richter

Stephanie Hoffman
Jared Gunnell

Pete van Moorsel
Liz Thomas

Eric Whitaker

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

[Recording](#)

Chair Forsyth called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

The Chair welcomed everyone in attendance by Zoom. JLARC staff conducted a roll call.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

[Recording](#)

1. Commission Business

a. Approval of the August 2, 2023 Meeting Minutes

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the August 2, 2023 meeting minutes.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

(See recording at [00:03:28](#))

b. Pete van Moorsel, JLARC staff, reviewed the proposed changes to the 2024 Tax Preference Review Schedule.

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the proposed changes.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

(See recording at [00:05:05](#))

2. Chair Forsyth called for public testimony of the 2023 Tax Preference Reviews.

The Legislative Auditor issued six recommendations as part of its annual reporting cycle. The presentation included tax preferences for the following: Interstate Transportation, Rural

County New Jobs, International Services, Hazardous Substance Tax Exemption for Pesticides Sold Out of State, Historic Ships and Vessels, and Rehabilitated Historic Properties.

Five recommendations require legislative action: two are recommendations to continue with modifications, two are recommendations to continue with clarifications, and one recommendation is to terminate. One preference has a recommendation to continue and does not require legislative action.

Public testimony was given on the 2023 Tax Preference Performance Reviews.

(See recording at [00:09:30](#))

3. Stephanie Hoffman, Audit Coordinator, reviewed the process and schedule for adopting Commissioner Comments.

(See recording at [01:19:11](#))

Meeting adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

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