

THE THIRD BRANCH
SUB-COMMITTEE of NH CITIZENS COMMISSION ON STATE COURTS

Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 19 2006

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| Present: | Kelly Ayotte, Donna Davey, Martin Gross, Peter Heed, Ann Kuster, Andrew Peterson (Chair,) Katrina Swett, Michael Whalley, Dick Winters | |
| Absent: | Charles Bickford, Robert Duhaime, Francis Frasier | |
| Topic | Discussion | Action |
| Review of drafts of previously approved four recommendations: | <p>The Committee reviewed the first drafts of the four recommendations that were chosen for inclusion in the final work of the Committee to be presented to the NH Citizens Commission on State Courts for review of the entire Commission in March.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Budget Recommendations/Kelly Ayotte 2. Conducting Improved Relationships Between the Executive and Judiciary Branches/Marty Gross 3. Public Education recommendations/Katrina Swett and Dick Winters 4. Recommendations for Follow-Up and Follow-Through/Ann Custer | <p>Action items will be addressed by those assuming personal responsibility for writing/editing the separate recommendations and send to all members for re-review by 2/21/06 for final edits and distribution to the Commission by 3/1/06.</p> <p>Final recommendations will be attached to these final minutes of the Third Branch Sub-Committee.</p> |
| Discussion of Role of Judicial Council: | The Committee also discussed the current role of the Judicial Council and the possibility of expansion of its role to include follow-up and follow-through of the recommendations of this sub-committee. | A recommendation to this effect will be included in the final submission of recommendations. |

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| Next Meeting: | The next meeting of THE THIRD BRANCH sub-committee of the NH Citizens on the State Courts Commission will be held in conjunction with and during the next NH Citizens on the State Courts Commission meeting on March 13, 2006. Please be aware that a second meeting will be held on March 20, 2006. Both meetings will be held from 9 AM to noon at Representatives Hall at the State House. | The Committee will review re-drafted recommendations discussed at the February meeting. |
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