

**Senate Public Safety Budget Division &  
Senate Crime Prevention and Public Safety Committee  
Monday, January 10, 2005  
Chairs: Sen. Jane Ranum & Sen. Leo Foley  
Time: 12:00 p.m., 112 Capitol**

*Agenda*

Department Deficiency Requests

- Board of Judicial Standards
  - David Paul, Executive Director
- Department of Public Safety
  - Federal Disaster Assistance Match
    - Al Bataglia, Director, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Department of Public Safety
    - John Kerr, Assistant Director of Administration and Recovery, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Department of Public Safety
    - Senator Dan Sparks, Senate District 27
    - Craig Hoiium, Community Development Director, City of Austin
  - Gang Strike Force
    - Mary Ellison, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Public Safety
    - Jeri Boiszert, Director, Office of Justice Programs, Department of Public Safety
- Public Defender's Office
  - Kevin Kajer, Chief Administrator, State Board of Public Defense
  - John Stuart, State Public Defender, State Board of Public Defense
- Department of Corrections
  - Prison populations
  - Additional health care
  - Civil commitment and revocation hearings
    - Harley Nelson, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Corrections
    - Dennis Benson, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Corrections

Department of Corrections Overview

- Prison population forecasts
  - Dan Storkamp, Director of Information Analysis, Department of Corrections

Members present: Berglin, Betzold, Foley, Kleis, Limmer, McGinn, Neuville, Ortman, Rudd and Skoglund

Sen. Ranum called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

A quorum was present at 12:05 p.m.

David Paul, Executive Director, Board of Judicial Standards, testified on the deficiency within his agency.

Witness responded to questions.

Al Bataglia, Director, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Department of Public Safety, testified on the deficiency within his agency.

Witness responded to questions.

John Kerr, Assistant Director of Administration and Recovery, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Department of Public Safety, testified on the deficiency within his agency.

Witnesses responded to questions.

Senator Dan Sparks testified on flood damage in his district.

Craig Hoium, Community Development Director, City of Austin, testified on flood damage to the City of Austin.

Kevin Kajer, Chief Administrator, State Board of Public Defense, testified on the deficiency within his organization.

Witness responded to questions.

Mary Ellison, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Public Safety, testified on the deficiency within the gang strike force.

Witness responded to questions.

Dennis Benson, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Corrections, testified on the deficiency within his agency regarding prison populations and health care needs.

Harley Nelson, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Corrections, testified on the deficiency in the sex offender management program.

Witnesses responded to questions.

Dan Storkamp, Director of Information Analysis, Department of Corrections, answered questions regarding the number of methamphetamine offenders entering the system.

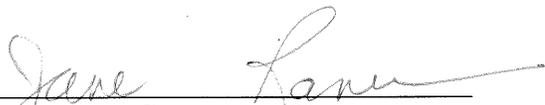
Witnesses responded to questions.

Mr. Storkamp and Mr. Benson, gave testimony on prison population projections.

Witnesses responded to questions.

Sen. Ranum adjourned the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted:

  
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Jane Ranum, Committee Chair

  
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Sara Benzkofer, Legislative Assistant

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Members Present

Senator Foley  
Senator Berglin  
Senator Betzold  
Senator Kleis  
Senator McGinn  
Senator Neuville  
Senator Ranum  
Senator Skoglund

Members Absent

Senator Ruud

Senator Ranum called the meeting to order at 12:06 p.m.

David Paul, Executive Director, Board of Judicial Standards, testified about the judicial budget items.

Al Bataglia, Director of Homeland Security and Emergency Management in the Department of Public Safety, testified about homeland security.

John Kerr, Assistant Director, Homeland Security and Emergency Management in the Department of Public Safety, testified about homeland security.

Senator Dan Sparks, testified about flood damage in the city of Austin.

Craig Hoiium, Austin Community Development Director, testified about flood damage in the city of Austin.

Kevin Kajer, Chief Administrator with the State Board of Public Defense, testified about the Board's budget.

Mary Ellison, Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety, testified about the Gang Strike Force.

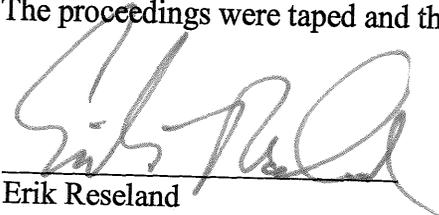
Dennis Benson, Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Corrections, testified about prison population projections.

Harley Nelson, Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Corrections, testified about prison population projections.

Dan Storkamp, Director of Information Analysis in the Department of Corrections, testified about prison population projections.

Senator Ranum adjourned the meeting at 2:19 p.m. The proceedings were taped and the materials distributed are attached to these minutes.

  
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Senator Leo Foley  
Chairman

  
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Erik Reseland  
Legislative Assistant

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