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JLARC Meeting October 17, 2022 – MINUTES

JLARC Members Present:

Senator Janet Howell, Chair; Delegate Robert E. Orrock, Vice Chair; Senator Mamie E. Locke; Senator Jeremy S. McPike; Senator Lionel Spruill, Sr.; Delegate Terry L. Austin; Delegate Betsy B. Carr; Delegate Kenneth R. Plum, Delegate R. Lee Ware; Delegate Tony Wilt; and Staci Henshaw, Auditor of Public Accounts.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chair Howell, who welcomed the Commission members and shared information on the study topic selection subcommittee meeting, which met earlier that morning at 9:00 a.m. Following, Mr. Hal Greer, JLARC director, gave an overview of the meeting agenda.

Status of JLARC Recommendations for Legislative Action

Mr. Greer presented the status of JLARC recommendations that, to date, have not been implemented by legislative action. Following, there were several comments and questions from JLARC members.

Tax Progressivity Options

Mr. Greer gave an overview of the study on tax progressivity options, then introduced Mr. Justin Brown, who presented the report to the Commission. Following his presentation, there were several questions from Commission members.

Feasibility and Revenue Potential of a Petersburg Casino

Mr. Greer gave an overview of both the Petersburg Casino report as well as an overview of the Oversight and Administration of Gaming report. He then introduced Ms. Tracey Smith, who gave an introduction of the Petersburg study and addressed the Commission on the analysis of The Innovation Group. Following, there were several questions from Commission members.

Ms. Smith then introduced Ms. Elliott Rigsby, who gave a presentation on oversight and administration of gaming, as well as the background of gaming in Virginia. Following Ms. Rigsby, Ms. Stefanie Papps gave a report on the regulations of Virginia's gaming and creating

a central gaming agency. During and following her presentation there were several comments and questions from Commission members. Following Ms. Papps, Mr. David Lermond, executive secretary, Virginia Racing Commission, took the podium and addressed the Commission members. Mr. Larry Nichols, director of VDAC's Division of Consumer Protection, then addressed the Commission. There were no questions from Commission members.

State Spending: 2022 Update

Mr. Greer then introduced Ms. Ellen Miller, who gave JLARC's 2022 annual update on state spending. At the conclusion of Ms. Miller's presentation, there were no questions from Commission members.

Adjournment

Mr. Greer announced that the next Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 7, 2022. There being no further business, Senator Howell, Chair, adjourned the Commission at 11:56 a.m.

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