

GOVERNMENT CONTRACT REVIEW COMMITTEE

Minutes

April 13, 2026

Call to Order and Roll Call

The Government Contract Review Committee met on Monday, April 13, 2026, at 10:00 AM, in Room 131 of the Capitol Annex. Representative Mark Hart, Chair, called the meeting to order, and the secretary called the roll.

Present were:

Members: Senator Donald Douglas, Co-Chair; Representative Mark Hart, Co-Chair; Senators Stephen Meredith, Craig Richardson, and Reginald L. Thomas; and Representatives Bobby McCool and Rachel Roarx.

Guests: Laura Hagan, Director, Division of Purchases, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, (KYTC); Amanda Spencer, Assistant State Highway Engineer, KYTC; Mary Beth Morris, President, Kentucky Board of Optometric Examiners (KBOE); Christy Lemay, Executive Director, KBOE; Tammy Brown, Executive Officer, Department of Financial Services, Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC); Charity Roberts, Branch Manager, Department for Community Based Services (DCBS), Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS); Angela Blankenship, Social Service Specialist, DCBS, CHFS; Emily Montooth, Transportation Engineer Specialist, Division of Professional Services, KYTC; Aric Skaggs, Project Development Branch Manager, KYTC; Scott Baker, Executive Director, Office of Facility Development and Efficiency, Finance and Administration Cabinet; Barry Swanson, Chief Procurement Officer and Interim Vice President for Facilities Management, University of Kentucky (UK); Christopher Dudley, Human Resources Manager, UK; Sarah Johnson, Director of the Division of Substance Use Disorder, Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities (DBHDID), CHFS; Justin Dearing, Director, Division of Health Care Policy, Department of Medicaid Services (DMS), CHFS; and Ryan Edwards, Executive Staff Advisor, Office of Transportation Delivery, KYTC.

LRC Staff: Jarrod Schmidt, Kim Smith, and Elizabeth Raymond.

A motion was made by Senator Meredith to approve minutes of the April 2026, meeting of the committee. Co-Chair Douglas seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

APRIL DEFERRED LIST:

TRANSPORTATION - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

HNTB Corporation, 2600002178. Laura Hagan, Director, Division of Purchases, KYTC, and Amanda Spencer, Assistant State Highway Engineer, KYTC, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Senator Meredith, Ms. Spencer stated the contract was competitively bid through a joint Kentucky–Indiana process, managed by the Indiana Finance Authority (IFA), with HNTB holding the primary contract. Kentucky maintains a mirror agreement to cover its 50 percent share under the bi-state agreement, and both states have equal representation and decision-making power in procurement and selection. HNTB serves as a toll services advisor for the RiverLink system, helping oversee vendors and improve operations. Their involvement has led to significant improvements, including higher than expected revenue (about \$160 million combined) and better customer service performance, with wait times reduced to under a minute. Overall, the system is now more stable and operating effectively.

In response to Co-Chair Douglas, Ms. Spencer stated the contract started as a five-year agreement and has since been extended once by the IFA. Multiple bidders competed and both Kentucky and Indiana had equal representation in the qualifications-based selection process.

In response to Representative Roarx, Ms. Spencer stated there are debt obligations through 2058, and tolls are expected to remain in place until that debt is fully serviced. Any decision to end tolling would require a joint agreement between the states.

A motion was made by Representative Roarx to consider the contract as reviewed. Co-Chair Douglas seconded the motion, which passed with Senator Meredith, Senator Richardson, and Chair Hart voting no.

APRIL DEFERRED ITEM:

KENTUCKY STATE UNIVERSITY

A motion was made by Co-Chair Douglas to defer the contract to the May 2026 meeting. Senator Meredith seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

A motion was made by Senator Meredith to consider as reviewed the Personal Service Contract List, with exception of those items selected for further review by members of the committee. Co-Chair Douglas seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

A motion was made by Senator Meredith to consider as reviewed the Personal Service Contract Amendment List, with exception of those items selected for further review by members of the committee. Co-Chair Douglas seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

A motion was made by Senator Meredith to consider as reviewed the Memoranda of Agreement List, with exception of those items selected for further review by members of the committee. Co-Chair Douglas seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

A motion was made by Senator Meredith to consider as reviewed the Memoranda of Agreement Amendment List, with exception of those items selected for further review by members of the committee. Co-Chair Douglas seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

A motion was made by Senator Meredith to consider as reviewed the Kentucky Entertainment Incentive Program Agreements List, with exception of those items selected for further review by members of the committee. Co-Chair Douglas seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

A motion was made by Senator Meredith to consider as reviewed the Correction List. Co-Chair Douglas seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

**THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL SERVICE CONTRACTS WERE REVIEWED
WITHOUT OBJECTION:**

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

Justice Cabinet, 2600002549.

ATTORNEY GENERAL

Nachawati Law Group, PLLC, 2600001993.

AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

Prinse, LLC, 2600002247.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS

STV, Inc., 1300002023-1; STV, Inc., 1400000378-1; STV, Inc., 1600003407-1; STV, Inc., 1800001005-1; STV, Inc., 1900004727-1; STV, Inc., 1900004728-1; STV, Inc., 1900004968-1; STV, Inc., 2000000705-1; STV, Inc., 2100001189-1; STV, Inc., 2100001682-1; STV, Inc., 2200000968-1; STV, Inc., 2300001515-1; STV, Inc., 2300001560-1; STV, Inc., 2600000853-1; HDR Engineering, Inc., 2600002667; Michael

Baker International, Inc., 2600002686; H. W. Lochner, Inc., 2600002687; Johnson, Mirmiran & Thompson, Inc., 2600002688; Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., 2600002702; Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., 2600002778.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Symphony Diagnostics Services No1, LLC, 2600001893; Proactive Medical Review and Consulting, LLC, 2600002594.

DEPARTMENT OF WORKERS' CLAIMS

SAS, LLC, 2600001713.

FACILITIES & SUPPORT SERVICES

Alliance, Inc., 2600000968; GRW Engineers, Inc., 2600002286.

KENTUCKY FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES

Kentucky Hunters for the Hungry, Inc., 2600002187.

KENTUCKY HORSE RACING AND GAMING CORPORATION

Cherry Bekaert, LLP, 2026-009.

KY COMMUNITY TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM

Omni Architects, 26-693; Omni Architects, 26-816.

MOREHEAD STATE UNIVERSITY

Dean Dorton Allen Ford, PLLC, 26-012; Askmrreeves College Consulting, LLC, 27-001.

MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY

Interpreting Service of the Commonwealth, 013-27; RMF Engineering, 036-26.

NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

Dean Dorton, LLC, 2025-167.

PERSONNEL BOARD

James L. Dickinson, 2500003129-1.

SECRETARY OF STATE

Embry Merritt Womack Nance, PLLC, 2600002163.

TRANSPORTATION - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

HNTB Corporation, 2600001972.

**THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL SERVICE AMENDMENTS WERE REVIEWED
WITHOUT OBJECTION:**

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

McBrayer, PLLC, 2600000687; Dentons Bingham Greenebaum, LLP,
2600001382.

ATTORNEY GENERAL

Gess Mattingly and Atchison, 2400001855.

**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL & INTELLECTUAL
DISABILITIES**

Cornerstone Diagnostics, Inc. f/k/a PremiertoX 2.0, Inc., 2400004932.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS

URS Corporation, 0700003365; HDR Engineering, Inc., 1000003299; Palmer Engineering Company, 1900002527; Leslie M. Haney & Albert W. Gross Partner, 1900003654; HMB Engineers, Inc., 2000000526; Palmer Engineering Company, 2000001750; Palmer Engineering Company, 2100001825; Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., 2200001125; Michael Baker International, Inc., 2200001846; HMB Engineers, Inc., 2200001937; Palmer Engineering County, 2200001940; Aecom Technical Services, Inc., 2200002246; Burgess and Niple, Inc., 2200002303; Palmer Engineering Company, 2300002060; Palmer Engineering County, 2300002652; Michael Baker International, Inc., 2300003824; GRW Engineers, Inc., 2400001031; Aecom Technical Services, Inc., 2400001747; HMB Engineers, Inc., 2400002657; QK4, Inc., 2400002658; Palmer Engineering County, 2400002660; Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., 2500000288; Leslie M. Haney & Albert W. Gross Partners, 2500000615; H. W. Lochner, Inc., 2500001962; Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., 2500002381; QK4, Inc., 2500002827; Qk4, Inc., C-02300472; Qk4, Inc., C-99067714.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS

Troy Spencer Gibson, 2400002890.

FACILITIES & SUPPORT SERVICES

CMTA, Inc., 2100000607; EOP Architects PSC, 2100000950; EOP Architects PSC, 2100002073; Omni Architects, 2200000254; Facility Commissioning Group, Inc., 2200001216; KPFF, Inc., 2200002304; EOP Architects PSC, 2200003831; Hafer PSC, 2300001205; Paladin, Inc., 2300001751; Kesler Simpson Architects, LLC, 2300001917; Tate Hill Jacobs Architect, Inc., 2300003449; GRW Engineers, Inc., 2400000156; Kesler Simpson Architects, LLC, 2400000950; Omni Architects, 2400001225; Schmidt

Associates, Inc., 2400001641; GRW Engineers, Inc., 2500001936; Champlin Haupt Architects, Inc., 2500002554; Patrick D. Murphy Company, Inc., 2500003099.

KENTUCKY FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES

Sustainable Streams, LLC, 16FW000034; Res Kentucky LLC d/b/a Redwing Ecological Services, 20FW000086.

KENTUCKY PUBLIC PENSIONS AUTHORITY

Kellerman Law, PLLC, 2400003766.

KY COMMUNITY TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM

N3D Group - Consulting Engineers, 24-018; Sign Language Network, Inc., 926.

MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY

Global Partnerships Simplified, LLC, 032-26.

NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

David P. Schoepf & Associates, Inc., 2025-166.

TRANSPORTATION - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

RN Expertise, Inc., 2400001570.

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

Omni Architects, A221120; JRA Architects, A221150; Prime AE Group, Inc., A241080; Carnegie Dartlet, LLC, K25-219.

WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

Digital Key Consulting, LLC, 252609.

**THE FOLLOWING MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENTS WERE REVIEWED
WITHOUT OBJECTION:**

ATTORNEY GENERAL

Barren County Fiscal Court, 2600002390.

COUNCIL ON POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

Onegoal, 2600001973; Kentucky Science and Technology Corporation, 2600002020.

DEPARTMENT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

City of Millersburg, 2600000812; Waterfront Botanical Gardens, Inc., 2600001210.

DEPARTMENT FOR LIBRARIES & ARCHIVES

Bell County Public System, 2600002028.

DEPARTMENT FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Mason County, 2600001163; Morgan County Fiscal Court, 2600001932; Pike County Fiscal Court, 2600002440; Menifee County Fiscal Court, 2600002573; Whitley County Fiscal Court, 2600002825.

DEPARTMENT FOR MEDICAID SERVICES

Department of Corrections, 2600001133.

DEPARTMENT FOR NATURAL RESOURCES

Wendell H. Ford Regional Training Center, 2600000988.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Center for Accessible Living, Inc., 2600001405; Anderson County Board of Education, 2600002424; Elliott County Board of Education, 2600002427.

TRANSPORTATION - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Gateway Community & Technical College, 2600001950; Elizabethtown Community and Technical College, 2600002024; Federal Highway Administration, 2600002082; Madisonville Community and Technical College, 2600002394.

**THE FOLLOWING MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT AMENDMENTS WERE
REVIEWED WITHOUT OBJECTION:**

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

Pennyroyal Regional Mental Health Mental Retardation Board, 2300001278.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL & INTELLECTUAL
DISABILITIES

Multi, 2400000042; University of Louisville Research Foundation, 2400001635; Volunteers of America Mid-States, Inc., 2400003576; Kentucky River Community Care, Inc., 2400003653; Cumberland River Behavioral Health, Inc., 2400003752; Western Kentucky Regional Mental Health & Retardation Advisory Board, 2500002776; Pennyroyal Regional Mental Health Mental Retardation Board, 2500002778; Green River Regional MHMR Board, Inc., 2500002779; Communicare, Inc., 2500002782;

Seven Counties Services, Inc., 2500002783; Northkey Community Care, 2500002784; Comprehend, Inc., 2500002785; Pathways, Inc., 2500002787; Mountain Comprehensive Care Center, 2500002788; Kentucky River Community Care, Inc., 2500002789; Cumberland River Behavioral Health, Inc., 2500002791; Lake Cumberland Mental Health Mental Retardation Board, 2500002792; Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation, 2500003391.

DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES

Kentucky River Foothills Development Council, Inc., 2400001816; Seven Counties Services, Inc., 2400001824; Pennyryle Allied Community Services, Inc., 2400002900.

DEPARTMENT FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

City of Mayfield, 2500000814; Graves County, 2500000855.

DEPARTMENT FOR PUBLIC HEALTH

Healthcare Equipment and Resource Tools, Inc., 2400001689; National Jewish Health, 2400001939; University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2400002135; Matthew 25 Aids Serv, Inc., 2400002436; Saint Joseph Hospital Foundation, Inc., 2400002878; University of Louisville Research Foundation, 2500001014.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

American Institutes for Research In the Behavioral Sciences, 2400004481; Kentucky Educational Development Corporation, 2500003064.

DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

Specialized Alternatives for Families & Youth of Kentucky, 2400003624.

KENTUCKY HERITAGE COUNCIL

Kentucky African American Heritage Commission, 2600000362.

**THE FOLLOWING KENTUCKY ENTERTAINMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM
AGREEMENTS WERE REVIEWED WITHOUT OBJECTION:**

ECON DEV - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Detention Secrets, 2600002662; Framed Movie, LLC, 2600002663; Competing for Joy, 2600002670; Black Reins, LLC, 2600002671; Waypoint Productions, 2600002677; Yardstick Productions, LLC, 2600002680; Zulu Productions, LLC, 2600002681.

**THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL SERVICE CONTRACTS WERE SELECTED
FOR FURTHER REVIEW:**

BOARD OF OPTOMETRIC EXAMINERS

KWH Law, PLLC, 2600002268. Mary Beth Morris, President, KBOE, and Christy Lemay, Executive Director, KBOE, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Senator Meredith, Ms. Lemay stated this is not a contract renewal. The first contract covered limited services, while the second contract covers the full scope of board work. Initially, there was a memorandum of agreement with the Public Protection Cabinet, but they later said they lacked the staff to continue and advised seeking outside counsel. Although statutes indicate the Attorney General's office should provide legal services, they declined, leaving outside counsel as the only option.

In response to Senator Meredith, Dr. Morris stated she supports the board's personal service contract for legal counsel and its mission to protect public health, safety, and welfare. The board is addressing complex legal and regulatory issues from prior actions while strengthening governance, improving compliance, ensuring fairness, and increasing transparency. These efforts involve significant legal risk and require expertise in administrative law, due process, and statutory interpretation. Without experienced counsel, the board risks invalid decisions, litigation, delays in enforcement, and loss of public trust, making the contract essential rather than optional. The board also emphasizes accountability, noting that legal services are billed monthly, carefully reviewed, and used only as necessary to fulfill its responsibilities.

In response to Co-Chair Douglas, Ms. Lemay stated the letter provided to the committee had not been sent to the Attorney General. When hired in May 2023, after the board lost its general counsel, they were verbally directed to contact the Attorney General's office, but no written communication or formal response was ever documented.

A motion was made by Senator Thomas to defer the contract to the May 2026 meeting, and requested the Office of Attorney General be present to testify. Representative Roarx seconded the motion, which passed.

**THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL SERVICE AMENDMENTS WERE SELECTED
FOR FURTHER REVIEW:**

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

Brandstetter Carroll, Inc., 2600000964. Tammy Brown, Executive Officer, Department of Financial Services, AOC, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Chair Hart, Ms. Brown stated in 2024, the General Assembly approved a \$14.1 million project to build a Court of Appeals facility with offices, staff space, and courtrooms. The project followed a four-phase design and construction process, with later phases contingent on legislative approval. After starting initial design

work, changes to the site required a revised, two story design and additional costs. All prior contracts and modifications were approved, and the current request is simply an administrative correction to fix a prior cost error.

A motion was made by Senator Meredith to consider the contract as reviewed. Co-Chair Douglas seconded the motion, which passed.

DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES

KVC Behavioral Health Care/Croney & Clark, 2400001763; KVC Behavioral Health Care/Croney & Clark, 2400001868. Charity Roberts, Branch Manager, DCBS, CHFS, and Angela Blankenship, Social Service Specialist, DCBS, CHFS, discussed the contracts with the committee.

In response to Co-Chair Douglas, Ms. Roberts stated the Family First Prevention Services Act requires Kentucky to provide family preservation services using federal Title IV-E funding for families whose children are at risk of entering foster care. These services, identified through DCBS, must be evidence-based and include programs such as trauma-focused therapies, the Homebuilders model, and parent-child interaction therapy. The goal is to keep children safely with their families and provide reunification services when needed. Demand for these services has been steadily increasing, and the state is working proactively to prevent families from reaching the point of system involvement.

In response to Co-Chair Douglas, Ms. Blankenship stated the goal of the Family First initiative is to prevent children from entering foster care by providing in-home support services to families. These prevention services are far less costly, approximately \$8,618 per case compared to \$62,143 for foster care, and help keep children safely with their families. Increased use of these services has led to positive outcomes, including a reduction of 971 children entering foster care between 2018 and 2025, and a 97 percent success rate in keeping children in their home.

In response to Co-Chair Douglas, Ms. Roberts stated the program focuses on families already identified as at risk of foster care. However, the division has other branches providing primary and secondary prevention services aimed at supporting families earlier, before they come to the attention of the system. Together, these efforts work across stages: early support to reduce risk, and targeted services to prevent children from entering out-of-home care.

In response to Chair Hart, Ms. Roberts stated the contracts operate on a biennial cycle and the recent modifications cover FY 25-26. The services were procured through a competitive bid process using a Request for Application (RFA), and the contracts were awarded to a provider with whom the state has an established and positive working relationship.

A motion was made by Representative Roarx to consider the contracts as reviewed. Senator Thomas seconded the motion, which passed.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS

HMB Engineers, Inc., 2200001263. Emily Montooth, Transportation Engineer Specialist, Division of Professional Services, KYTC, and Aric Skaggs, Project Development Branch Manager, KYTC, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Co-Chair Douglas, Mr. Skaggs stated the increase in funds is needed as the project progresses and alternative options are evaluated to determine the safest route. Additionally, funds were required to complete the environmental assessment documentation necessary to meet federal eligibility requirements and to secure the use of federal funds.

In response to Co-Chair Douglas, Ms. Montooth stated the project originated in the early 2000s, but was later closed out before being reintroduced in the 2020 highway plan. A fresh review, including a value engineering study, led to the selection of a new alternative route. The current work involves advancing the revised option and completing the required environmental documentation for it.

A motion was made by Senator Meredith to consider the contract as reviewed. Co-Chair Douglas seconded the motion, which passed.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Multi, 2400000078.

A motion was made by Senator Richardson to defer the contract to the May 2026 meeting. Senator Thomas seconded the motion, which passed.

FACILITIES & SUPPORT SERVICES

Omni Architects, 2600000382. Scott Baker, Executive Director, Office of Facility Development and Efficiency, Finance and Administration Cabinet, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Co-Chair Douglas, Mr. Baker stated the contract covers design work for the new Kentucky State University Health Science Center. It began with a \$235,000 programmatic study to establish the project budget and scope. After the study was completed, additional funding was approved to continue full design services through phases A, B, and C. The design is expected to be completed by May 2027, to allow the project to proceed to construction bidding in July 2027, aligning with legislative funding for the new facility.

A motion was made by Senator Meredith to consider the contract as reviewed. Senator Thomas seconded the motion, which passed.

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

CorVel Enterprise Comp, Inc., K25-155. Barry Swanson, Chief Procurement Officer and Interim Vice President for Facilities Management, UK, and Christopher Dudley, Human Resources Manager, UK, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Co-Chair Douglas, Mr. Dudley stated fringe benefits cover several employment-related costs, including workers' compensation and unemployment insurance. These and other related expenses are grouped under miscellaneous fringe benefits and paid from a shared pool of funds.

A motion was made by Senator Thomas to consider the contract as reviewed. Co-Chair Douglas seconded the motion, which passed.

**THE FOLLOWING MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT AMENDMENTS WERE
SELECTED FOR FURTHER REVIEW:**

**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL & INTELLECTUAL
DISABILITIES**

Lifeskills, Inc., 2400003532. Sarah Johnson, Director of the Division of Substance Use Disorder, DBHDID, CHFS, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Co-Chair Douglas, Ms. Johnson stated the funding supports two main programs: treatment and recovery services for pregnant and parenting women with opioid use disorder; and residential treatment with transitional housing and recovery supports, including expanded mobile crisis services. The agency monitors contracts to ensure services are delivered and evaluates outcomes based on program goals. One program focuses on reducing neonatal abstinence syndrome and improving long-term public health outcomes, while the crisis services aim to reduce costly emergency room use through early intervention. Some programs, such as Kentucky Moms, are evaluated in partnership with UK's Center for Drug and Alcohol Research, which conducts outcome studies on long-term impacts for this population.

In response to Representative McCool, Ms. Johnson stated the contract covers a 10 county region in western Kentucky, including Bowling Green. The agreement is intended to expand services, specifically by adding additional residential treatment beds for pregnant women within the program.

A motion was made by Senator Meredith to consider the contract as reviewed. Co-Chair Douglas seconded the motion, which passed.

MEDICAID SERVICES BENEFITS

Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, 2400002551. Justin Dearing, Director, Division of Health Care Policy, DMS, CHFS, and Ryan Edwards, Executive Staff Advisor, Office of Transportation Delivery, KYTC, discussed the contract with the committee.

In response to Chair Hart, Mr. Dearing stated the requested additional funding is an estimate, and the full amount may not ultimately be spent. The estimate was originally developed two years ago and is updated annually through an actuarial analysis that considers factors such as fuel costs, vehicle maintenance, and Medicaid enrollment, which affects payment levels. The funding supports the Non-Emergency Medical

Transportation (NEMT) program, including payments to drivers and administrative costs for regional brokers, who receive a percentage for operations. The total amount is fully dedicated to supporting the NEMT program, with costs tracked and adjusted based on updated yearly projections.

A motion was made by Senator Richardson to consider the contract as reviewed. Co-Chair Douglas seconded the motion, which passed.

EXEMPTION REQUESTS:

KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET

Transportation Cabinet requested an exemption from Committee Policy Statement #99-4, which prohibits contracts and agreements from extending beyond the biennium for KYTC's Aviation Economic Development Grant Agreements. A motion was made by Senator Meredith to grant the request to June 30, 2028. Representative Roarx seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

THE ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT CABINET

The Energy and Environment Cabinet requested an exemption from Committee Policy Statement #99-4, which prohibits contracts and agreements from extending beyond the biennium for the Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds. A motion was made by Senator Meredith to grant the request to September 30, 2032. Representative Roarx seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:12 AM.