FULL COMMITTEE PONY

Department of Geology and Mineral Industries IT Assessment

On February 23rd, the Natural Resources Subcommittee voted to recommend acknowledging receipt of a report by the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries on a comprehensive IT Assessment completed by the Department and the Office of the State Chief Information Officer.

The report identified a variety of issues, concerns, and gaps that require near, medium, and long-term resolution. The report includes recommendations from the OSCIO, including: having the Department outsource IT functions not related to core mapping or data needs, and directing the Department to develop plans for server and storage infrastructure requirements for mapping and data needs and housing that infrastructure offsite.

Currently, the Department and OSCIO are in the process of jointly developing a tactical IT remediation plan to address and mitigate the highest priority issues found during the assessment.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends acknowledging receipt of the report with the understanding that the Department will do the following:

- Regularly provide progress status reports to OSCIO, DAS CFO, and LFO
- Partner with OSCIO to jointly develop and present a tactical IT remediation plan to the Emergency Board and the JLCIMT during the May 2016 Legislative Days, including any requests for additional resources necessary to carry out the plan.
- Develop and present a plan and supporting budget request as part of the 2017-19
 budget development process for implementing the report's recommendations.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends approval.