

# **MINUTES OF THE STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY MEETING**

**February 13, 2025 – 9:30 A.M.**

The State Fiscal Accountability Authority (Authority) met at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 13, 2025, in Room 252 in the Edgar A. Brown Building with participation available by video. The following members participated in the meeting:

Governor Henry McMaster, Chair;  
Mr. Curtis M. Loftis, Jr., State Treasurer;  
Mr. Brian J. Gaines, Comptroller General;  
Senator Harvey S. Peeler, Jr., Chairman Senate Finance Committee; and  
Representative Bruce W. Bannister, Chairman, Ways and Means Committee.

Mr. Loftis participated in the meeting via videoconference.

Also participating in the meeting were State Fiscal Accountability Authority Executive Director Grant Gillespie; Authority General Counsel Keith McCook; Governor's Chief of Staff Mark Plowden; Treasurer's Chief of Staff Clarissa Adams; Comptroller General's General Counsel Bob Maldonado, Joint Bond Review Committee Director of Research Catherine Hart; Ways and Means Chief of Staff Meredith Ross; Authority Secretary Delbert H. Singleton, Jr.; and other State Fiscal Accountability Authority staff.

## ***Adoption of Agenda for State Fiscal Accountability Authority***

Upon a motion by Senator Peeler, seconded by Representative Bannister, the Authority adopted the agenda as proposed.

## ***State Fiscal Accountability Authority: Appointment of an Interim State Auditor (Regular Session Item #1)***

By letter to Governor Henry McMaster on January 23, 2025, former State Auditor George Kennedy resigned as State Auditor effective that same day. Governor McMaster received and accepted Mr. Kennedy's resignation effective that same day.

Pursuant to SC Code of Laws Section 11-7-10, the Authority appointed an interim State Auditor who will be authorized to perform the duties of the State Auditor until such time as a permanent State Auditor is selected.

Upon a motion by Representative Bannister, seconded by Senator Peeler, the Authority

agreed to appoint Ms. Sue Moss as interim State Auditor. Ms. Moss is authorized to perform the duties of the State Auditor until such time as a permanent State Auditor is selected. Governor McMaster, Mr. Loftis, Senator Peeler, and Representative Bannister voted for the motion. Mr. Gaines abstained from voting on the motion.

Information relating to this matter has been retained in these files and is identified as Exhibit 1.

***Adjournment***

The meeting was adjourned at 9:32 a.m.

[Secretary's Note: In compliance with Code Section 30-4-80, public notice of and the agenda for this meeting were posted near the Board Secretary's office in the Wade Hampton Building, and in the lobbies of the Wade Hampton Building and the Edgar A. Brown Building at 4:20 p.m. on Tuesday, February 11, 2025.]