The Sunset Review of the Department of Information Resources

The Sunset Advisory Commission reviewed the Department of Information Resources (DIR) in 2010 and made recommendations on the agency to the 82nd Legislature. However, the legislation containing the Sunset recommendations, House Bill 2499, was vetoed by the Governor. Additional legislation passed in the 1st Called Session of the 82nd Legislature continued the agency until 2013 and directs the Sunset Commission to re-review DIR.

The Sunset Commission staff has begun its review, which includes, but is not limited to, evaluating the appropriateness of the recommendations made on the agency by the Sunset Commission to the 82nd Legislature. The Sunset Commission's recommendations on DIR from last session can be found in the Final Report on the Department of Information Resources available on the Sunset Commission's website. Sunset staff will issue an updated report containing recommendations on DIR in mid-November 2012. The Sunset Commission will then meet to hear public testimony on the agency and the recommendations of the Sunset staff. This meeting is scheduled for December 18 and 19, 2012. Please refer to the Sunset Commission's website or call the office for updated meeting schedule information. Based on public input and the Sunset staff report, the Sunset Commission will adopt recommendations for the full Legislature to consider when it convenes on January 9, 2013.

If you would like to share your ideas about DIR's operations or the recommendations previously made by the Sunset Commission on DIR, you may send an email to the address below, use the comment form on the Sunset Commission website, or contact Katharine Teleki of the Sunset staff. Suggestions are preferred by Friday, September 14, 2012, so they can be fully considered by the Sunset staff.

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