2024 APPROVED
WORK PLAN AND MEETING SCHEDULE
for the
SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

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Work Plan

The Science, Technology and Telecommunications Committee was created by the New Mexico Legislative Council on March 25, 2024. The committee proposes to continue its oversight role regarding the state's information technology projects, developments at the national laboratories in the state and the science and technological programs at the state's research universities. It also proposes to continue to examine issues regarding the telecommunications market and development of the science- and technology-based economic sector within the state. Further, the committee proposes to continue to explore legislative opportunities to promote energy storage, innovations in renewable energy and technology transfers from research institutions to diversify the economy. Aside from these traditional functions, in 2024, the committee proposes to particularly focus in the following four areas:

A. various aspects of artificial intelligence software (AI) use, including:

(1) decision making regarding the provision and delivery of services, in particular in regard to government services and in health care;

(2) the growing number of applications of AI in research;

(3) the need and opportunities for building AI literacy in school-age and adult populations; and

(4) the impacts that AI use will have on various resources, including energy, water and the labor market;

B. the progress being made to build out the high-speed broadband network in New Mexico and the challenges to that buildout;

C. the changing cybersecurity environment for public institutions and the private sector and potential state responses to developing cybersecurity risks; and

D. the growing market demand for electric vehicle charging infrastructure throughout the state.

Science, Technology and Telecommunications Committee
2024 Approved Meeting Schedule

Date	Location
May 1	Santa Fe
July 29-30	Santa Fe
August 28-29	Socorro
September 30-October 1	Albuquerque
October 31-November 1	Santa Fe
November 25-26	Santa Fe