

The Interim: Is it what you want?

**Legislators
Speak Up**

Part 2

Survey
Summary

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In the fall of 2019, the Legislative Services Division emailed a survey about interim activities to 150 current legislators.*

*92 Responded (61%)

66 I would rank the value of relationships built during the interim as...

2nd

Relationships with nonpartisan staff.

1st

Relationships with other legislators.

3rd

Relationships with executive and judicial branch officials.

... so say
62%



What should be the work priorities of an interim committee?

Coming in with **45%** saying it is #1 (drum roll)...

1 Complete studies passed by Legislature

Thanks to all my fans...I owe this all to you!!

2 Perform oversight of executive branch agencies

3 Study topics of interest to the committee



I would rank the possible outcomes of an interim committee...

1st

Draft committee legislation for next session.

2nd

Develop a working knowledge of various state programs.

3rd

Address constituent concerns in the committee's policy area.

Fiscal policy is adequately addressed during interim committee proceedings.

9% Strongly Agreed
47% Somewhat Agreed
31% Somewhat Disagreed
14% Strongly Disagreed



6 I would rank the best way to study issues that span more than one interim committee or agency as...

- 1** Form a subcommittee of the affected interim committees that reports to those committees
- 2** Affected interim committees should decide on case-by-case basis
- 3** Form a special committee separate from existing interim committees
- 4** Allow affected interim committees study the topic on its own
- 5** Seek guidance from Legislative Council

It's a little complicated...

