

**2017 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 June 5, 2017. The committee proposes to hear testimony on:

1. funding and incentive mechanisms for broadband and telecommunications expansion;
2. increased technology transfer;
3. economic development initiatives related to science, technology and telecommunications;
4. intellectual property development at research institutions in New Mexico, including new and emerging technology incentives at universities;
5. small business technology needs;
6. public-private partnerships related to technology and options for state oversight;
7. updates on current information technology projects and future information technology needs in state government;

8. the potential for venture capital investment in remote work and solo work centers;
9. an examination of developments at Spaceport America;
10. cybersecurity and data breach risks;
11. New Mexico's education and training programs designed to create pathways to jobs requiring science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) expertise, including careers with the national laboratories and in software-dependent video entertainment;
12. Public Service Company of New Mexico's "Transforming a New Energy Balance for New Mexico's Energy Mix" initiative;
13. updates on management programs and employment at the Sandia and Los Alamos national laboratories;
14. modern farming technology and fiber-optic-based farm management;
15. recent and developing energy production technology, including hydraulic fracturing, wellhead management and wind energy;
16. science- and technology-focused business incubator development; and
17. the planned modernization of the Office of the Secretary of State's campaign finance software system.

**Science, Technology and Telecommunications Committee
2017 Approved Meeting Schedule**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
June 15	Santa Fe
July 10-11	Clovis
July 31-August 1	Truth or Consequences/ Socorro
August 23-24	Silver City
September 25-26	Las Cruces
November 8-9	Santa Fe