

Concerns still not addressed:

General

- Disregard for the Legislature's rules and protocols – i.e. Uniform Rules, Alaska Constitution, Alaska Statute Title 24, etc.
- Lack of Gavel to Gavel and AKLeg.tv greatly limits public access outside the Mat-Su Valley/Anchorage area
- Bandwidth inadequate for concurrent streaming of floor sessions and conducting legislative business
- Executive branch having access to space and control of space within designated legislative space
- Classrooms will not work as legislator offices
- Members of the public aren't permitted to participate in floor sessions, aside from being introduced as guests
- No adequate committee room space; would meet at Mat-Su LIO and/or Anchorage LIO
- Would rely on the queue-up method for floor debate and legislators would need to share microphones resulting in severe inefficiencies and sound quality deficiencies
- Estimated costs likely to increase after site visit assessment

Historical Record

- Inability to obtain a proper recording (audio/video) of proceedings
- Sound system in gyms inadequate (no acoustical treatment heightens inadequacy)
- Wireless microphones will cause feedback and further erode the sound quality
- Wireless mics produce lesser sound quality/recording quality than the hard-wired mics in the Capitol; further, number of mics is limited to portable sound board and staff to pass around the mics

Information Technology

- Inadequate, unreliable cellular service; cellular signal boosters would be purchased in an attempt to add bars
- The legislature needs dedicated and secure network connectivity; school district would need to remove their network equipment to allow for the legislature's network equipment to take over
- In no scenario would be allow the school's network to remain in tact
- The data ports are insufficient for the legislature's needs
- Committee meetings would be required to be held in Mat-Su LIO and/or Anchorage, as there is no teleconference infrastructure at Wasilla Middle School, nor do we have enough equipment to hold committee meetings and floor sessions in the same offsite venue

Chamber

- Inability to secure chamber while not in use
- Inability to maintain floor decorum and follow legislative protocol

- No phone set up in the “chamber” for use by the Chief Clerk and Senate Secretary, Sgt at Arms and Presiding Officers; no reliable back-up since minimal cellular capacity would likely be overloaded by increased activity

Logistics

- Key support staff would be spread out and unable to support both a remote session and remote committee meetings
- Travel time between committee meetings and floor sessions could limit number and length of committee meetings
- Staff lodging concerns, limited options for staff to co-locate

Security and Safety

- Serious security camera concerns as to who has access to the footage; LAA would take over security camera infrastructure or bring in an independent temporary system
- Inability to create a secure gallery for the public, bleachers are a safety concern and would not work
- Inadequate queue area for the public to be screened before admittance to the temporary gallery
- Inadequate time to conduct safety drills, familiarize staff with emergency exits, etc
- Building was mentioned to have “key card access” but who would have access to and control of the key card system?
- Deficient security manpower and would need to contract with outside security or have police or trooper presence at each entrance point
- Who is liable for injury or property damage? The City of Wasilla or the Wasilla School District? LAA would insist on a MOA being executive and that LAA would be held harmless in the event of any property damage