



The State Bar *of California*

7.1 Approve Recommendations to Restructure the Organization and Responsibilities of the Committees Under the Legal Services Trust Fund Commission

Legal Services Trust Fund Commission Meeting, November 8, 2024

2024-2028 LSTFC Strategic Plan Goals

Strategy 1: Increase Access to Legal Aid to Advance the Commission's Mission

Strategy 2: Increase Access to Legal Aid by Serving Communities More Efficiently and Effectively

Strategy 3: Increase Access to Legal Aid Through Greater Accountability, Transparency, and Visibility

Strategy 4: Increase Access to Legal Aid through Greater Collaboration and Coordination with a Diverse Range of Voices

Strategy 5: Increase Access to Legal Aid through New Opportunities to Enhance Commission Impact





Infrastructure Working Group was formed to

Reassess the distribution of grant program responsibilities

Restructure the organization of LSTFC committees

Aim to optimize operations and enhance LSTFC's ability to efficiently and effectively increase access to legal aid services, in-line with 2024-2028 strategic plan

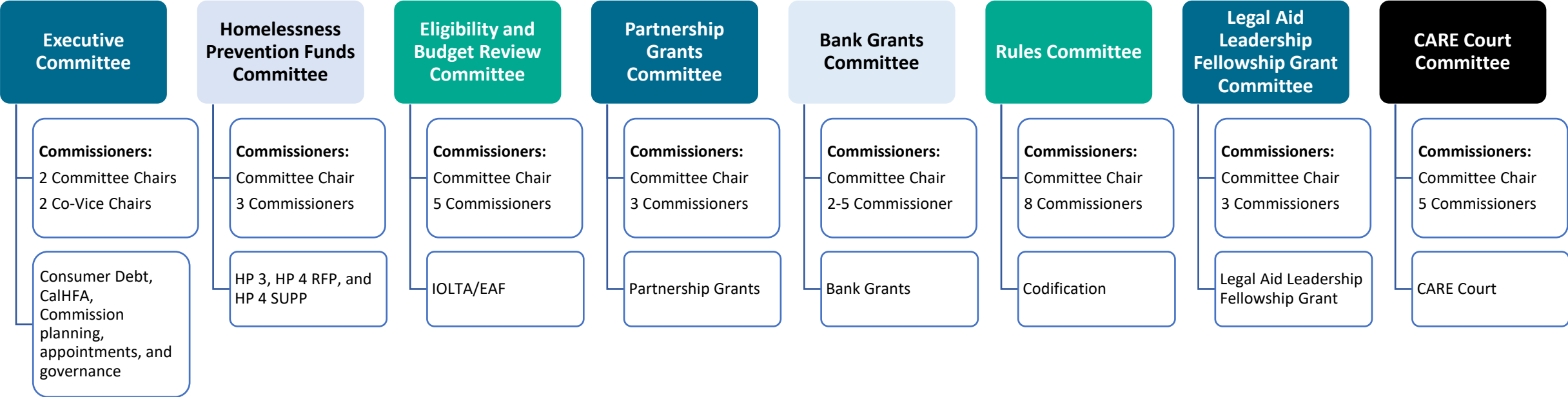
- Held working group meeting October 4th
- Received memo feedback



LSTFC's Current Committee Structure

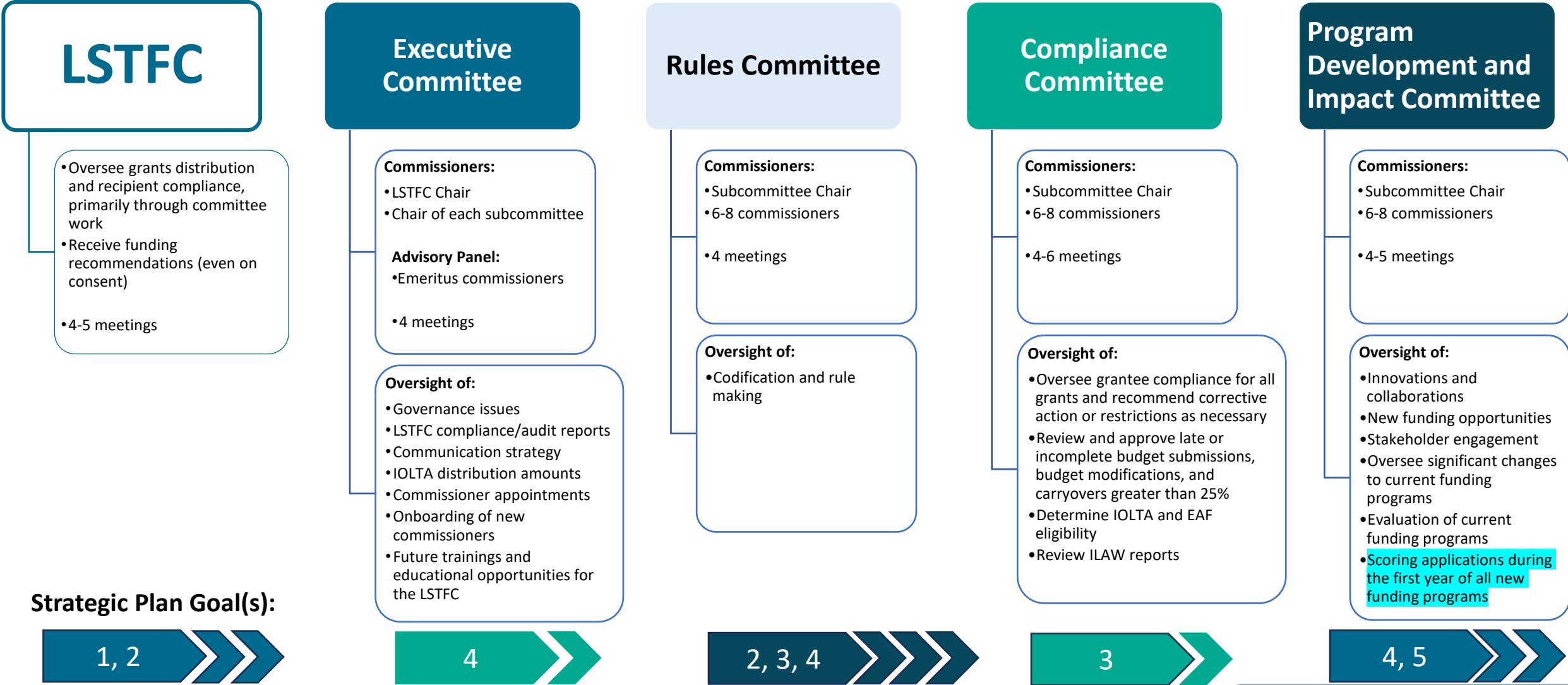
Legal Services Trust Fund Commission

8 committees:



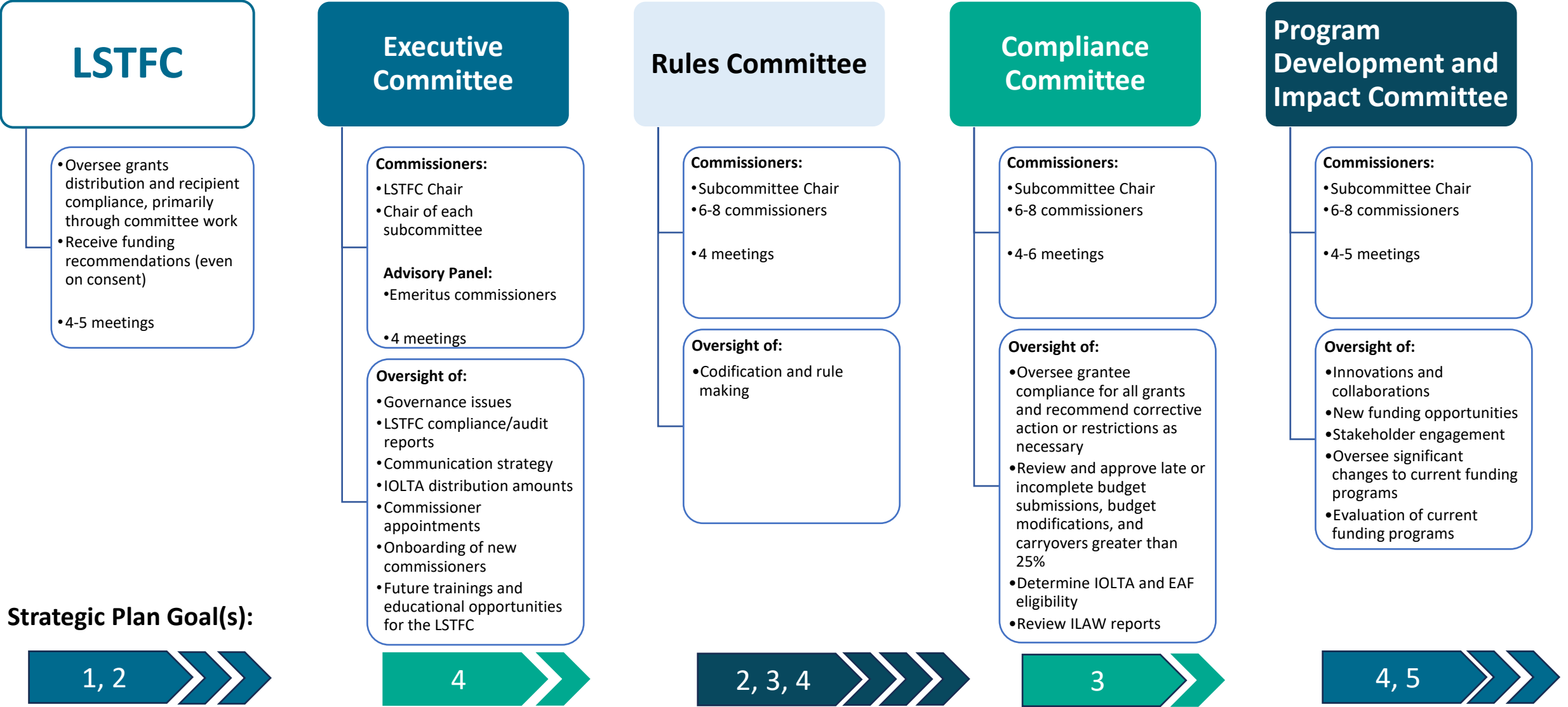
New LSTFC Committee Structure – Option A

(4 committees)



New LSTFC Committee Structure – Option B

(4 committees)



New LSTFC Committee Structure – Option C

(5 committees)

LSTFC

- Oversee grants distribution and recipient compliance, primarily through committee work
- Receive funding recommendations (even on consent)
- 4-5 meetings

Executive Committee

- Commissioners:**
- Executive Committee Officer
 - Chair of each subcommittee
- Advisory Panel:**
- Emeritus commissioners
- 4 meetings

- Oversight of:**
- Governance issues
 - LSTFC compliance/audit reports
 - Communication strategy
 - IOLTA distribution amounts
 - Commissioner appointments
 - Onboarding of new commissioners
 - Future trainings and educational opportunities for the LSTFC

Rules Committee

- Commissioners:**
- Subcommittee Chair
 - 6-8 commissioners
- 4 meetings

- Oversight of:**
- Codification and rule making

Compliance Committee

- Commissioners:**
- Subcommittee Chair
 - 6-8 commissioners
- 4-6 meetings

- Oversight of:**
- Oversee grantee compliance for all grants and recommend corrective action or restrictions as necessary
 - Review and approve late or incomplete budget submissions, budget modifications, and carryovers greater than 25%
 - Determine IOLTA and EAF eligibility
 - Review ILAW reports

Program Development and Impact Committee

- Commissioners:**
- Subcommittee Chair
 - 6-8 commissioners
- 4-5 meetings

- Oversight of:**
- Innovations and collaborations
 - New funding opportunities
 - Stakeholder engagement
 - Oversee significant changes to current funding programs
 - Evaluation of current funding programs

Application Scoring Committee

- Commissioners:**
- Subcommittee Chair
 - 6-8 commissioners
- 4-6 meetings

- Oversight of:**
- Review and score applications for all non IOLTA/EAF grant programs

Strategic Plan Goal(s):

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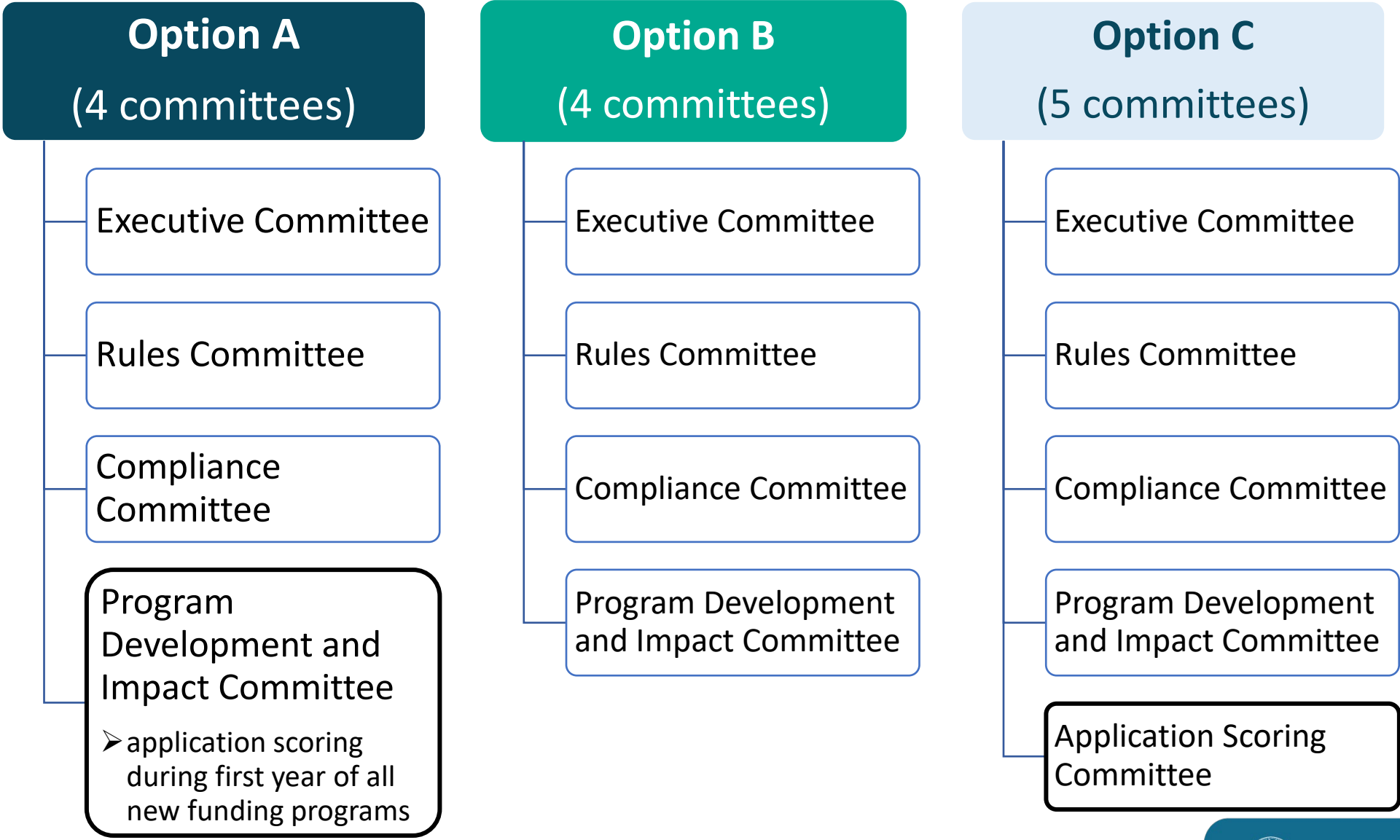
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LSTFC Committee Restructuring Options Overview





Resolution

Should the Legal Services Trust Fund Commission concur with the Infrastructure Working Group's proposal, passage of the following resolution is recommended:

RESOLVED, that the Legal Services Trust Fund Commission approves the reorganization and restructured responsibilities of the committees operating under its purview, as described herein as Option A.

