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Dear Committee Chairs

Finance Committee's legacy - Budget process and financial scrutiny of legislation

As part of the Finance Committee's consideration of its legacy, the Committee is reflecting on the arrangements for budget scrutiny and looking at the financial scrutiny of bills including the impact of the Committee's role.

As you are aware budget procedures will be changing during the next Assembly. However, the Committee would be keen to hear your views on the effectiveness of the overall approach to budget scrutiny in this Assembly. Members are interested in how successful you consider your committee has been in feeding into the process, how engaged stakeholders are with budget scrutiny and the appropriateness of timescales for the process, particularly those prescribed in **Standing Orders**.

The Committee is also keen to hear your views on the effectiveness of financial scrutiny of legislation, including how your own committees have integrated financial scrutiny into the consideration of legislation and how helpful the outcome of Finance Committee's consideration of bills has been to your committee's scrutiny.

I look forward to receiving your views and would be grateful for a response by 8 January 2016.

Yours sincerely

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Jocelyn Davies

Chair

