

# **Department of Health**

SENIOR AND DISABILITY SERVICES Governor's Council on Disabilities and Special Education

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# Legislative Committee Meeting Agenda May 8th, 2024

1:30pm - 3:00pm

## TO JOIN THE MEETING:

Zoom link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82127476726?pwd=RzBzRDVwY0FsRVM2TmJEak9VMjVXQT09

Toll Free numbers: 888 475 4499, 833 548 0276, 833 548 0282, 877 853 5257

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Meeting ID: 821 2747 6726

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## 1:00 PM

# **Call to Order:**

Caitlin Poindexter, Legislative Committee Chair

# **Roll Call / Begin ZOOM Recording:**

<u>Committee Members</u>: Caitlin Poindexter, Chair, Art DeLaune, Jeanne Gerhardt-Cyrus, Corey Gilmore, Shelly Vendetti-Vuckovich, Jena Crafton, Stanley Wright, Margaret Evans, Carl (CB) Brady. (5 committee members for a Quorum).

GCDSE Staff: Jamie Kokoszka, Patrick Reinhart.

# Welcome from the Chair:

Introductions (Caitlin Poindexter).

## **Conflict of Interest Declarations:**

This is an opportunity for committee members to declare if they have a conflict with any item on the agenda, financial or otherwise.

# **Approval of the Previous Meeting Minutes and Agenda:**

- Approval of Agenda
  - SAMPLE MOTION: I make a motion to approve the meeting agenda as presented.
- Approval of Past Meeting Minutes
  - SAMPLE MOTION (must be made by a committee member who was present at the meeting):
  - I make a motion to approve the, Legislative Committee meeting minutes as presented.

## **Reports:**

- Committee Chair-Caitlin Poindexter
- GCDSE Staff

## **Business:**

- AKleg.gov
- 2024 State legislative updates and discussion

Blue = Joint Advocacy GCDSE Report Out

Orange/yellow = Council is tracking

**HB 360** HOME CARE EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS ADV BOARD --Trust Report Out--Patrick "An Act establishing the Home Care Employment Standards Advisory Board; and providing for an effective date." (watch hearings)

HB 355 STATEWIDE PUBLIC & COMMUNITY TRANSIT PLAN—Trust Report Out--Patrick
"An Act relating to the duties of the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities; and relating to a statewide public and community transit plan."

SB 104 / HB 161 Civil Legal Services Fund—Trust Report Out—Patrick/Jamie

"An Act relating to appropriations to the civil legal services fund."

#### HB 219 Repeal Assistive Technology Loan Program—Trust Report Out—Patrick/Jamie

"An Act repealing the assistive technology loan guarantee and interest subsidy program; and providing for an effective date."

#### HB 111 / SB 143 EDUCATION FOR DEAF & HEARING IMPAIRED—Rich following

"An Act relating to public school students who are deaf or have a hearing impairment."

## SB 143 / HB 111 EDUCATION FOR DEAF & HEARING IMPAIRED—Rich following

"An Act relating to public school students who are deaf or hard of hearing."

#### SB 91 TELEHEALTH: MULTIDISCIPLINARY CARE TEAM version CSSB 91 (FIN)

"An Act relating to telehealth; relating to multidisciplinary care teams; and relating to the practice of medicine."

#### SB 240 / HB 343 SCHOOL DISTRICT MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

"An Act relating to medical assistance coverage for rehabilitative, mandatory, and optional services furnished or paid for by a school district on behalf of certain children."

## Other Legislative Activity:

- Environmental Modifications (EMOD)
- Participant Directed Services
- o Budget Bills
- Other

# **Update on Federal Issues and discussion:**

- NACDD Federal updates (Patrick Reinhart)
- o Will meet with delegation about federal issues at NACDD in July.
- o Other

# Time and Date of Next Meeting:

To be determined.

# **Good of the Order and Adjournment:**

• Motion to Adjourn

## Need to information on Legislation in Alaska?

Link to Alaska State Legislature page: https://w3.akleg.gov/index.php

AKleg.gov is the place to track bills, locate and contact your legislators, and access committee information. Questions? Try the help wizard or call 907-465-4648.

# **SMS Bill Tracking tool from BASIS**

(Bill Action & Status Inquiry System)

This tool allows you to keep up with the proposed bills throughout the legislative process by sending you up-to -date text alerts as hearings are scheduled and posted in BASIS, and bill status changes.

SMS Bill Tracking! Text a bill number (ex: HB1) to 559-245-2529 to enroll in text alerts. You will receive an enrollment confirmation and instructions on how to stop receiving the alerts.

Link to BASIS email alert sign up page: https://www.akleg.gov/basis/btmf\_login.asp?session=32

To learn more about the steps in the passage of a bill:

https://w3.akleg.gov/docs/pdf/passbill.pdf

Track bills in BTMF:

https://www.akleg.gov/basis/btmf\_login.asp?session=33

Steps in the passage of a bill

https://w3.akleg.gov/docs/pdf/passbill.pdf

Legislative Process

https://w3.akleg.gov/docs/pdf/legprocess.pdf

How to read a bill history

https://akleg.gov/docs/pdf/readbill.pdf

Abbreviations and acronyms

https://akleg.gov/docs/pdf/abbracro.pdf