



Legislative & Public Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

June 1, 2020 -- 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Zoom Only (no in-person meeting)

MEETING AGENDA:

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| 1. Convene, establish quorum, introductions of LPPC members and members of the public | Ali |
| 2. Review/modify today's proposed agenda | LPPC members |
| 3. Old Business: | |
| a. Review/approve April 20th and May 18th meeting minutes | LPPC members |
| b. Update on the Sub-Minimum Wage Elimination bill | Bob |
| c. Update #RecoverCO (previously #MoreRevenueCO) | Bob |
| 4. New Business: | |
| a. Colorado's General Assembly reconvened May 26th | Bob |
| b. Where we left off... | All |

Bills we had been following including previous status (which is rapidly changing!) and CCDC/Arc-CO/CDDC positions and including consideration of endorsing HB20-1012, SB20-001, SB20-014, SB20-151, SB20-182

HB20-1006 Early Childhood Mental Health Consultants (Christine) – Status: House Committee on Public Health Care & Human Services Refer Amended to Appropriations (01/24/2020). CCDC position: Amend. Arc-CO position: Monitor. CDDC position: Monitor.

HB20-1012 Child Welfare Program Children Developmental Disabilities (Gerrie) – Status: House Committee on Public Health Care & Human Services Refer Amended to Appropriations (01/29/2020). CCDC position: Support. Arc-CO position: Support. CDDC position: Monitor.

HB20-1058 Behavior Analysts in Public Schools (Lisa) – Status: Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Education (03/10/2020). CCDC position: Monitor. CDDC position: Monitor.

HB20-1128 Educator Education Requirements, Special Education (Bob) – Status: Sent to the Governor (03/23/2020). CCDC position: Monitor. CDDC position: Monitor.

HB20-1263 Eliminate Sub-minimum Wage Employment (Bob) – Status: House Committee on Business Affairs & Labor Refer Amended to Appropriations (02/26/2020). CCDC position: Monitor (verbal assurance: Support). CDDC position: Support.

HB20-1302 (NEW) CAPS Check Program Changes – Status: Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Health & Human Services (03/13/2020), CCDC position: Amend (no details). CDDC position: Monitor.

HB20-1314 Behavioral Health Crisis Response Training – Status: House Committee on Public Health Care & Human Services Refer Amended to Appropriations (03/13/2020), CCDC position: Support. CDDC position: Support.

SB20-001 Expand Behavioral Health Training for K-12 Educators – Status: Senate Committee on Appropriations Refer Amended to Senate Committee of the Whole (03/13/2020). CCDC position: Support. CDDC position: Monitor.

SB20-014 Excused Absences in Public Schools for Behavioral Health (Ali) – Status: Signed by the Speaker of the House (03/17/2020). CCDC position: Strongly support. CDDC position: Monitor.

SB20-033 Allow Medicaid Buy-in Program After Age 65 (Gerrie) – Status: Introduced In House - Assigned to Public Health Care & Human Services (03/11/2020). CCDC position: Strongly support. CDDC position: Support.

SB20-151 Administration of the RTD (Michael) – Status: Senate Committee on Transportation & Energy Refer Amended to Judiciary (03/03/2020). CCDC position: Strongly support. CDDC position: Monitor.

SB20-163 School Entry Immunization – Status: Introduced In House - Assigned to Health & Insurance (03/02/2020), CCDC position: Support. CDDC position: Monitor.

SB20-165 Honoring Carrie Ann Lucas – Status: Introduced In House - Assigned to Public Health Care & Human Services (03/11/2020). CCDC position: Strongly support. CDDC position: Support.

SB20-182 (NEW) Supporting Wandering Persons Recovery Programs – Status:

5. Decision Items
6. Public Comment
7. Adjourn

Ali & Bob
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Next Meeting: June 15, 2020 10:00AM – Noon (Zoom only)

Discussion:

1. Meeting called to order at 10:05. No quorum at 10:11.
2. Changes to the agenda: It was agreed to move agenda item number two down to a later time for when quorum is present.
3. Update on the Sub-Minimum Wage Elimination Bill: This bill is anticipated to be “Postponed Indefinitely (PI)” and thus “dead.” Anything deemed “nonessential” and with a fiscal note will most probably not get passed. We could have suggested a reduced/eliminated fiscal note and have it possibly pass. Bob was not in favor of this strategy because those people affected (losing a subminimum wage situation) would not have services and supports necessary for getting reemployed in competitive settings. Bob recommends not moving forward at this time and instead reintroducing 1263 next year even though getting funding next year is projected to be equally as challenging.
4. Update on Recover Colorado: A letter explaining the Recover Colorado (previously More Revenue Colorado) concept went out to all Colorado legislators so the general assembly is aware of this. Anticipated to raise as much as \$600 million to help with the projected \$3.3 billion state revenue shortfall.
5. At the federal level, the HEROES Act, which has been passed by the House of Representatives, would provide Colorado with a projected \$4 billion that would significantly reduce the impact of Colorado’s pandemic-related revenue problem. The Senate has, at this point, expressed no interest in taking up an additional COVID-19 relief funding bill until the impact of the previous multi-trillion dollar federal relief bills are better understood. Bob believes the Senate will need to do this sooner rather than later.

New Business:

1. The Colorado General Assembly reconvened May 26th. Five bills on our watch list all had action last week in the four days of the reconvened legislative session. For this week there is nothing scheduled (yet) for bills the committee is following.
2. Bills updates:
 - 1006-Still tabled and in appropriation
 - 1012-Mary Young is one of the sponsors. No action since January.
 - 1058- Postponed Indefinitely (PI)
 - 1128- Passed and sent to governor for signature
 - 1263- Presumed dead.
 - SB 14 signed and will become law.
- 151: Michael made motion that the committee recommend that the Council formally supports this bill. Gerrie seconded. Membership approved.
- 163: School Entry Immunization: Not been heard by the committee yet.
3. Meeting Minutes:

Gerrie made the motion that meeting minutes from April 20th and May 18th be approved. Christine seconded. Membership approved.
4. Money for waiver redesign is gone at the end of June. HCPF plans to continue meetings but with no additional expenditures for related studies or projects.

5. 182: Bill to support electronics for missing adults. Ali is very familiar with this effort and supports the use of GPS instead of radio location. Committee voted to recommend the Council formally support this bill.
 6. Public Comment: None at this time.
 7. Meeting adjourned at 12:01.
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Motions:

1. SB 151: Michael made motion that the committee recommend that the Council formally supports this bill. Gerrie seconded. Membership approved.
2. Gerrie made the motion to approve meeting minutes from April 20th and May 18th be approved. Christine seconded. Membership approved.
3. 181 and 182: Bill to support electronics for missing adults. Committee voted to recommend the Council formally support this bill.

Actions:

1. Bob will research Initiative 271 and provide information to the committee.
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Attendance:

Council Committee Members Present: Ali Thompson, Christine Owen

Council Committee Members Absent: Joseph Morrone (leave), Lisa Franklin, Cami Renfrow

Community Committee Members Present: Michael Hoover (disability rights representative and past Colorado Developmental Disabilities Council member), Gerrie Frohne (family advocate).
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Guests: Donna Downing (past-president of the National Autism Committee)

Staff Present: Vanessa Hernandez, Robert Lawhead