MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, February 6, 2019
10:30 AM in Room 1D of the LOB

The meeting was called to order at 10:32 AM by Chairman, Rep. Steinberg J. 136.

The following committee members were present:

Senators: Abrams M. S13; Cohen C. S12; Lesser M. S09; Moore M. S22; Somers H. S18

Representatives: Arnone T. 058; Betts W. 078; Borer D. 115; Candelora V. 086; Carpino C. 032; Cook M. 065; Demicco M. 021; Genga H. 010; Hennessy J. 127; Kennedy K. 119; Klarides-Ditria N. 105; McCarty K. 038; Michel D. 146; Petit W. 022; Ryan K. 139; Scanlon S. 098; Steinberg J. 136; Young P. 120; Zupkus L. 089

Absent were:

Senators: Comey R. 102; Tercyak P. 026

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Rep. Steinberg asked for a motion to raise items 1 through 5 under Section III of the agenda, Concepts to be Raised:

1. AAC Dental Therapists

2. AAC Marital and Family Therapist and Professional Counselor Associates

3. AAC Community Health Workers

4. AAC Scope of Practice for APRNs

5. AAC Penalties for the Sale or Delivery of Tobacco Products, Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems and Vapor Products to Persons under the Age of Twenty-one
Rep. Cook offered the motion and it was seconded by Rep. Petit.

Rep. Steinberg asked if there were any objections to voting for concepts 1 through 5 as a block, to which there were none.

The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Rep. Steinberg asked for a motion on items 1 through 3 under Section IV of the agenda, Proposed Bills to be Drafted as Committee Bills:

1. **Proposed S.B. No. 94** An Act Allowing Pharmacists To Administer The Influenza Vaccine To Children Twelve Years Of Age And Older
2. **Proposed H.B. No. 5898** An Act Concerning Aid In Dying For Terminally Ill Patients
3. **Proposed H.B. No. 6546** An Act Establishing A Task Force To Study The Prevalence Of Hepatitis C In Correctional Institutions And Facilities

Rep. Arnone made the motion and it was seconded by Rep. Young.

Rep. Steinberg asked if there were any objections to voting on items 1 through 3 as a block, to which there were none.

Rep. Candelora commented that while he supports raising bills for a public hearing, item 2 was of concern due to its controversial and time-consuming nature. Rep. Candelora noted that while he does not support the concept, he would support a public hearing.

The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Rep. Steinberg asked for a motion on items 1-4 under Section V of the agenda, Proposed Bills to be Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing:

1. **Proposed S.B. No. 46** An Act Prohibiting Hospitals From Charging Fees For Trauma Activation
2. **Proposed H.B. No. 5547** An Act Requiring Physicians To Educate Their Patients Regarding The National Marrow Donor Program
3. **Proposed H.B. No. 5654** An Act Allowing Dentists To Perform Certain Facial Therapies As Part Of Their Dental Practice
4. **Proposed H.B. No. 5910** An Act Limiting The Use Of Polyfluoroalkyl Chemicals In Certain Products

Rep. Petit made the motion and it was seconded by Rep. Cook.

Rep. Steinberg asked if there was any discussion on the proposed bills.
Rep. Petit commented that item 2 is of concern to the general physician community in regard to micromanaging continuing medical education requirements. Rep. Petit stated that while it is important to educate the public on the need for more bone marrow donors, the discussion should stay away from micromanaging a professional group’s continuing medical education requirements.

Rep. Steinberg noted that the physician community will testify to that point and thanked Rep. Petit for emphasizing the importance of public education.

The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Rep. Steinberg asked for a motion on items 1 and 2 under Section VI of the agenda, Proposed Bills to be Considered for a Change of Reference Action:

1. **Proposed H.B. No. 5903** An Act Concerning Funding For Remediation Of Indoor Health Emergencies In Schools: To Education Committee

2. **Proposed H.B. No. 6367** An Act Requiring The Inclusion Of Education Concerning The Dangers Of Vaping Within The Existing Health Curriculum: To Education Committee

Rep. Arnone offered the motion and it was seconded by Rep. Young.

Rep. Steinberg asked if there was any discussion to which there was none.

The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Rep. Steinberg noted that the next committee meeting will be held on Friday, February 8, 2019 at 10:30 AM in room 1D of the LOB.

The committee’s next public hearing will be held on Monday, February 11, 2019 at 10:30 AM in room 1D of the LOB.

A motion was duly made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM.

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Beverley Henry       Meagan Schantz
Administrator        Committee Clerk