The meeting was called to order at 10:34 AM by Chairman, Sen. Abrams M. S13.

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; Comey R. 102; 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; Rebimbas R. 070; Ryan K. 139; Steinberg J. 136; Young P. 120

Absent were:

Senators:

Representatives: Scanlon S. 098; Tercyak P. 026

Sen. Abrams welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked if there were any remarks from the Co-Chair.

Sen. Abrams asked for a motion to vote as a block on items 1-3 under Section III of the agenda, Proposed Bills to be Drafted as Committee Bills:

1. Proposed S.B. No. 96 An Act Establishing a Task Force to Examine the Recruitment and Retention of Primary Care Providers in the State.

3  Proposed S.B. No. 706  An Act Concerning Epinephrine Auto Injectors.

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

Sen. Abrams asked if there was any discussion, to which there was none.

The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Sen Abrams asked for a motion to vote as a block on items 1-14 under Section IV of the agenda, Proposed Bills to be Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing:

6. Proposed S.B. No. 393  An Act Concerning The Department Of Developmental Services' Level Of Need Assessment.
7. Proposed S.B. No. 396  An Act Concerning Sudden, Unexpected Death In Epilepsy.
11. Proposed H.B. No. 6522  An Act Concerning Continuing Medical Education In Screening For Inflammatory Breast Cancer And Gastrointestinal Cancers.
13. Proposed H.B. No. 6540  An Act Concerning The Prevention Of HIV.
Rep. Hennessy offered the motion and it was seconded by Rep. Cook.

Sen. Abrams asked if there was any discussion, to which there was none.

The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Sen. Abrams asked for a motion to vote as a block on items 1-8 under Section V of the agenda, Proposed Bills to be Considered for Change of Reference Action:

1. Proposed S.B. No. 389 An Act Concerning The Closing Of A Rehabilitation Center Or Nursing Home Facility.
8. Proposed H.B. No. 6944 An Act Concerning Health Care In Correctional Facilities And Access To Inmate Medical Records.

The motion was offered by Rep. Michel and seconded by Rep. Cook.

Sen. Abrams asked if there was any discussion.

Rep. Borer expressed a concern about referring item 2 under Section V. Since the same bill is already in the Environment Committee, she questioned if referring the bill would still enable discussion of the important public health aspect of the bill.

Sen. Abrams understood the concern and indicated that item 2. Under Section V of the agenda would be held so that the issue raised could be addressed.

Sen. Abrams asked for the initial motion on this section to be withdrawn.

Sen. Abrams then asked for a motion to vote in a block on items 1 and 3-8 under Section V of the agenda.

The motion was offered by Rep. Michel and seconded by Rep. Borer.

The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Sen. Abrams noted that the committee will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, February 11, 2019 at 10:30 AM in room 1D of the LOB.

The committee will also hold a Committee Meeting on Wednesday, February 13, 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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Administrator                      Assistant Committee Clerk