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**MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA**

Name of Organization: Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults  
With Special Needs  
(*Nevada Revised Statutes* [NRS] 218E.750)

Date and Time of Meeting: Thursday, January 9, 2020  
10 a.m.

Place of Meeting: Grant Sawyer State Office Building, Room 4401  
555 East Washington Avenue  
Las Vegas, Nevada

Note: Some members of the Committee may be attending the meeting and other persons may observe the meeting and provide testimony through a simultaneous videoconference conducted at the following locations:

Legislative Building, Room 2135  
401 South Carson Street  
Carson City, Nevada

And

Great Basin College, High Tech Center, Room 121  
1500 College Parkway  
Elko, Nevada

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**Items on this agenda may be taken in a different order than listed. Two or more agenda items may be combined for consideration. An item may be removed from this agenda or discussion relating to an item on this agenda may be delayed at any time.**

- I. Opening Remarks and Committee Introductions  
Senator Patricia (Pat) Spearman, Chair
- II. Public Comment  
**(Because of time considerations, each speaker offering comments during the period for public comment will be limited to not more than 3 minutes. A person may also have comments added to the minutes of the meeting by submitting them in writing either in addition to testifying or in lieu of testifying. Written comments may be submitted in person or by email, facsimile, or mail before, during, or after the meeting.)**
- For Possible Action* III. Overview of the Committee’s Responsibilities and Activities  
Cesar O. Melgarejo, Senior Policy Analyst, Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB)
- For Possible Action* IV. Overview of the Work of the Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum  
John A. Yacenda, Ph.D., M.P.H., P.A.H.M., Forum President, Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum
- For Possible Action* V. Overview of Legislation and Initiatives Pertaining to Senior Issues
  - A. Presentation of Legislation From the 2019 Session and Initiatives Concerning the Programs of the Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD) of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)  
Dena Schmidt, Administrator, ADSD, DHHS
  - B. Presentation of Legislation From the 2019 Session and Review of Initiatives Pertaining to Seniors in Other States  
Barry Gold, Director, Government Relations, AARP® Nevada
- For Possible Action* VI. Presentations on Senior Quality of Life in Nevada
  - A. Presentation on Senior Population Demographics in Nevada  
Dena Schmidt, Administrator, ADSD, DHHS
  - B. Presentation on Senior Quality of Life Issues and Health Care Concerns in Nevada  
Peter Reed Ph.D., M.P.H., Director, Sanford Center for Aging, University of Nevada, Reno School of Medicine
  - C. Presentation on Senior Citizen Suicide Trends  
Misty Vaughan Allen, M.A., Coordinator of the Statewide Program for Suicide Prevention, Nevada’s Office for Suicide Prevention, Division of Public and Behavioral Health, DHHS
  - D. Presentation of the *America’s Health Rankings Senior Report 2019* and How Nevada Can Improve Its Ranking  
Rutu Ezhuthachan, M.D., M.M.M., FAAP, Medical Director, UnitedHealthcare Nevada

***For Possible Action***

- VII. Presentations Relating to Affordable Housing Programs in Nevada  
Stephen G. Aichroth, Administrator, Housing Division, Department of Business and Industry  
Chad Williams, Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer, Southern Nevada Regional Housing Authority  
Bill Brewer, Executive Director, Nevada Rural Housing Authority  
Audra Hamernik, President and CEO, Nevada HAND, Inc.

***For Possible Action***

- VIII. Discussion of Potential Topics for Future Meetings
- IX. Public Comment  
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- X. Adjournment

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