

MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Name of Organization: Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study the Integration of State and Local Child Welfare Systems in Nevada (Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 53; File No. 141, *Statutes of Nevada 1999*)

Date and Time of Meeting: Tuesday, April 25, 2000
9:30 a.m.

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

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

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Carson City, Nevada

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AGENDA

- I. Opening Remarks
Assemblywoman Barbara E. Buckley, Chairwoman
- *II. Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on February 10, 2000, in Las Vegas, Nevada
- III. Proposed Model for Integrating Nevada's Child Welfare System
 - A. Overview of the Proposed Model - Thom Reilly, Professor, School of Social Work, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
 - B. Presentation on the Elements of the Proposed Model
 1. Stephen A. Shaw, Administrator, Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS), Nevada's Department of Human Resources
 2. Kirby Burgess, Director, and Adrienne Cox, Assistant Director, Department of Youth and Family Services, Clark County
 3. Michael Capello, Acting Director, Department of Social Services, Washoe County
- IV. Reports on Selected Child Welfare Programs in Nevada

- A. Steve Hiltz, Esq., Children’s Attorneys Project, Clark County Legal Services
 - B. Michael Capello, May Shelton, and Kevin Schiller, Washoe Pilot Program, Washoe County, and MaryEllen White, Social Welfare Program Chief, DCFS
 - C. Linda Ley, Executive Director, Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Program, Clark County, and Mary Herzik, Executive Director, CASA Program, Washoe County
 - D. Laurel Swetnam, Program Manager, New Wish Program, Early Childhood Services, DCFS
- V. Perspectives on Child Welfare in Nevada
- A. Gard Jameson and Frank McKoy, Children’s Advocacy Alliance
 - B. Theresa M. Anderson, Program Manager, Northern Region Placement Resource Team, Northern Region Adoption Unit, and Family Preservation Services, DCFS
 - C. John and Michelle Law, CASA Volunteers and Foster Parents, Las Vegas
 - D. Bryan Link, Licensed Independent Social Worker (former director of Specialized Alternatives for Youth, Las Vegas, Nevada)
- *VI. Future Meeting Dates and Topics
- VII. Public Testimony
- VIII. Adjournment

*Denotes item on which the subcommittee may take action.

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