

MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Name of Organization: Legislative Commission's Subcommittee on the Study of 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: Wednesday, December 8, 1999

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 video conference conducted at the following location:

Legislative Building

Room 3138

401 South Carson Street

Carson City, Nevada

AGENDA

I. Opening Remarks

Assemblywoman Barbara E. Buckley, Chairwoman

II. Programmatic Reform in Public Child Welfare Systems

- Introductory Remarks - Stephen Christian, Children and Families Program

National Conference of State Legislatures

- Examination of Other States and Discussion of the Essential Components of a "Good" Child Welfare System - Paul Vincent, Director, The Child Welfare Policy and Practice Group

III. Child Protective Services: Discussion of a Model System and Nevada's Current System

Norma Harris, Executive Director, National Child Welfare Leadership Center

IV. Review of Information Regarding Nevada's Child Welfare System

- Elana S. Marton, Senior Research Analyst, Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB)

B. Larry L. Peri, Senior Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, LCB

V. Discussion on Nevada's Current Child Welfare System and Concerns Regarding Possible Reforms

- Sarah Fries, Social Worker, Department of Social Services, Washoe County
- Ann Rubin, Child Protective Services Supervisor, Department of Family and Services, Clark County
- Mark Fitzgerald, Child Protective Services Specialist, Department of Family and Youth Services, Clark County
- Maria Arellano-Grant, Social Work Supervisor, Nevada's Division of Child and Family Services-Las Vegas Regional Office

- Joan Blewett, Social Worker III, DCFS-Las Vegas

VI. Future Meeting Dates and Topics

VII. Public Testimony

VIII. Adjournment

Note: We are pleased to make reasonable accommodations for members of the public who are disabled and wish to attend the meeting. If special arrangements for the meeting are necessary, please notify the Research Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, in writing, at 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701-4747, or call Terrie Williams, at (775) 684-6825, as soon as possible.

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