

**MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA**

Name of Organization: Legislative Committee on Children, Youth and Families  
(*Nevada Revised Statutes 218.53723*)

Date and Time of Meeting: Thursday, August 12, 2004  
10 a.m. or upon adjournment of the Interim Finance Committee meeting

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 location:

Legislative Building  
Room 3138  
401 South Carson Street  
Carson City, Nevada

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**Note: Minutes of this meeting will be produced in summary format. Please provide the secretary with electronic or written copies of testimony and visual presentations if you wish to have complete versions included as exhibits with the minutes.**

**A G E N D A**

- I. Opening Remarks  
*Senator Raymond D. Rawson, Chairman*
- \*II. Approval of Minutes of the June 17, 2004, Meeting  
*Senator Raymond D. Rawson, Chairman*
- \*III. Overview of the Legislative Audit of the Division of Child and Family Services  
*Paul V. Townsend, Legislative Auditor, Audit Division, Nevada Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB)*  
*Richard A. Neil, Deputy Legislative Auditor, Audit Division, Nevada LCB*
- \*IV. Update on Issues Relating to the Operation of the Child Welfare System  
*Michael J. Willden, Director, Department of Human Resources (DHR)*  
*Jone M. Bosworth, Administrator, Division of Child and Family Services, DHR*
  - A. Follow-up on questions regarding the contracting process for therapeutic foster care and therapeutic care homes from the June 17, 2004, meeting
  - B. Potential budget requests for the 2005-2007 biennium in response to the Nevada Child and Family Services Review final report
  - C. Update on tracking and use of 2003 State funding for services to foster children with severe emotional disturbance
- \*V. Update on Issues Relating to the Integrated Child Welfare System in Clark County  
*Susan Klein-Rothschild, Director, Clark County Department of Family Services*
  - A. Update on progress toward an integrated child welfare system in Clark County
  - B. Update on efforts to develop a federally-approved cost allocation plan
- \*VI. Presentation of the 2004 Reports of the Mental Health Consortia (NRS 433B.335)  
*Kathryn Landreth, Chair, Clark County Mental Health Consortium*

*Dr. Brad Reitz, Assistant Superintendent, Clark County School District*  
*Pam Becker, Chair, Washoe County Mental Health Consortium*  
*Ruth Aberasturi, Rural Mental Health Consortium*

- \*VII. Presentation on Foster Care Youth Utilizing “A.B. 94 Funds” and Graduating from High School (Assembly Bill 94, Chapter 603, *Statutes of Nevada 2001*)  
*Donna Coleman, President, Children’s Advocacy Alliance*
- \*VIII. Presentation on the Operation of Foster Care Review Boards in Other States  
*Dr. William Murphy, Ph.D., Professor, Department of Microbiology and Immunology, University of Nevada School of Medicine*
- \*IX. Brief Introduction to the National Foster Parent Association (NFPA)  
*Marsha Simms, Legislative/Policy Committee Member, NFPA*
- \*X. Work Session—Discussion and Action on Possible Recommendations  
(See “Work Session Document” for a summary of possible recommendations.)  
  
*The Work Session Document will be available on the Nevada Legislature Web site ([www.leg.state.nv.us](http://www.leg.state.nv.us)) at the Committee’s [home page](#), or a copy may be obtained by contacting Lucinda Benjamin, Senior Research Secretary, Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, at (775) 684-6825.*
- \*XI. Discussion of Future Committee Meeting Topics and Dates
- XII. Public Testimony
- XIII. Adjournment

\*Denotes items on which the committee may take action.

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