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House Sunset Committee Meeting

5.19.21

Chair Dorsey Walker called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. She stated that the meeting was planned in accordance with HCR 1 and took the roll call of the committee's members. Members present included Rep. Griffith, Rep. Johnson, and Rep. Spiegelman. For a full list of speakers see the list below.

Chair Dorsey Walker introduced **SB 86, AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE DELAWARE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION**. Chair Dorsey Walker invited expert witnesses Holly Vaughn Wagner and Mark Brainard from the Division of Research to discuss the bill.

Holly Vaughn Wagner explained that SB 86 would add a requirement to the Delaware Advisory Council on Career and Technical Education's (DACCTE) annual report to provide students and families access to information regarding educational, employment, and training opportunities.

Mark Brainard added that the legislation comes from a recommendation approved by the Joint Legislative Oversight and Sunset Committee in 2020.

Chair Dorsey Walker opened the floor to public comment.

Seeing none, a motion was made by Rep. Griffith and seconded by Rep. Johnson to release SB 86 from committee; motion carried. Yes= 4 (Chair Dorsey Walker, Rep. Griffith, Rep. Johnson, Rep Spiegelman); No= 0; Absent= 1 (Rep. Yearick). The bill was released from committee with a F=1, M=4, U=0 vote.

Chair Dorsey Walker introduced **SB 87 w/ SA 1, AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 16 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO ANATOMICAL GIFTS AND THE DELAWARE HEALTH INFORMATION DATABASE**. Chair Dorsey Walker invited expert witnesses Holly Vaughn Wagner and Mark Brainard to discuss the bill.

Holly Vaughn Wagner explained that the bill is another recommendation from the Joint Legislative Oversight and Sunset Committee. The bill seeks to provide the Gift of Life

organization with access to the Delaware Health Information Network (DHIN). SA 1 would make the language of the legislation similar to provisions in other states.

Chair Dorsey Walker shared her emphatic support for the bill, disclosing that a loved one had recently received an organ transplant.

Chair Dorsey Walker opened the floor to public comment. Seeing none, she invited the committee to make comments once again.

Rep. Spiegelman shared his appreciation for the DHIN and Gift of Life program and how it has had a positive impact on Chair Dorsey Walker's family. He encouraged everyone to sign up to be a donor.

A motion was made by Rep. Spiegelman and seconded by Rep. Griffith to release SB 87 w/ SA 1 from committee; motion carried. Yes= 4 (Chair Dorsey Walker, Rep. Griffith, Rep. Johnson, Rep. Spiegelman); No= 0; Absent= 1 (Rep. Yearick). The bill was released from committee with a F=2, M=3, U=0 vote.

Chair Dorsey Walker introduced **SB 88, AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 16 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE DELAWARE HEALTH INFORMATION NETWORK AND THE PROTECTION AND USE OF INFORMATION**. Chair Dorsey Walker called on Holly Vaughn Wagner and Scott Perkins to explain the bill.

Holly Vaughn Wagner explained that this bill also came as a recommendation from the Joint Legislative Oversight and Sunset Committee. The bill would allow DHIN to use clinical healthcare data for appropriate analytic and healthcare purposes.

Scott Perkins, counsel for DHIN, explained that the bill will align use of claims data with clinical data, allowing for further analytic purposes and research. The data is de-identified and not tied to any individuals. He explained that with the pandemic there has been a greater need to access longitudinal data that aligns with HIPPA and healthcare compliance.

Chair Dorsey Walker asked if there were any questions from the committee. Seeing none, she opened the floor to public comment.

Seeing none, a motion was made by Rep. Johnson and seconded by Rep. Griffith to release SB 88 from committee; motion carried. Yes= 4 (Chair Dorsey Walker, Rep. Griffith, Rep. Johnson, Rep. Spiegelman); No= 0; Absent= 1 (Rep. Yearick). The bill was released from committee with a F=2, M=3, U=0 vote.

Chair Dorsey Walker introduced **HB 174, AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 24 RELATING TO THE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY AND BARBERING AND LICENSURE OF AESTHETICIANS**. Chair Dorsey Walker invited Rep. Moore, the sponsor of the bill, to explain the legislation.

Rep. Moore explained that the bill is designed to provide language cleanup to the Merge Program, which would allow the transfer of apprentice hours to be accepted in cosmetology schools. She added that the bill additionally seeks to expand certifications for barbers and cosmetologists and add oversight on lash treatments.

Rep. Moore explained that currently many people are performing lash treatments with little to no training, posing concern for public health. The bill would add lash treatment certifications for aestheticians and cosmetologists, promoting safety and regulation.

She concluded her remarks by stating that the bill would increase membership on the Board of Cosmetology by adding seats for shop owners and school owners and would make changes to hour requirements for students in cosmetology school.

With permission from the Chair, Rep. Moore invited Geoffrey Christ, the Director of the Division of Professional Regulation (DPR), to discuss the bill.

Mr. Christ shared that the bill was brought forth by the Board of Cosmetology. The bill would make lash treatments safer due to requirements for specialized and adequate training. The bill's provisions would help students save money and promote efficiency in terms of merge hours and the adjustments to hour requirements. He explained that the bill's adjustment in hours and allowance to make up missed training due to sickness or emergency will allow more students to graduate on time.

Chair Dorsey Walker opened the floor to public comment.

Seeing none, a motion was made by Rep. Spiegelman and seconded by Rep. Griffith to release HB 174 from committee; motion carried. Yes= 4 (Chair Dorsey Walker, Rep. Griffith, Rep. Johnson, Rep. Spiegelman); No= 0; Absent= 1 (Rep. Yearick). The bill was released from committee with a F=2, M=3, U=0 vote.

Chair Dorsey Walker adjourned the meeting at 3:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Chelsea Jones

Speaker List:

1. Holly Vaughn Wagner, DOR
2. Mark Brainard, DOR
3. Scott Perkins, DHIN
4. Geoffrey Christ, DPR