Virginia Disability Commission

Delegate Amy J. Laufer, Chair
Tuesday, September 24, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.
House Room B-205, General Assembly Building

Commission Website:
https://studies.virginiageneralassembly.gov/studies/262

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Meeting Agenda

I. Call to Order and Introductions

II. Presentation: Updates to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act Regarding Electronic Meeting Participation and All-Virtual Public Meetings — *Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council, Division of Legislative Services*

III. Presentation: Proposed Policy for Electronic Meeting Participation and All-Virtual Public Meetings of the Commission — *Hannah Yates, Staff Attorney, Division of Legislative Services*

IV. VOTE: Should the Virginia Disability Commission Adopt the Proposed Policy for Electronic Meeting Participation and All-Virtual Public Meetings?

V. Presentation: County Efforts on Housing Affordability for Individuals with Disabilities — *Joe Lerch, AICP, Director of Local Government Policy, Virginia Association of Counties and Douglas S. Bilski, NCC, LPC, Assistant Director, Clinical & Prevention Services, Chesterfield Community Services Board*

VI. Presentation: Updates to Subminimum Wage Employment and Related Workforce Development Programs — *Donna Bonessi, Director, Employment Services and Special Programs, Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services and Eric Williams, Director, Provider Development, Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services*

VII. Presentation: Melwood and the Commonwealth — *Jewelyn Cosgrove, Vice President of Government and Public Relations, Melwood*

VIII. Member Discussion

IX. Public Comment

X. Adjournment

Purpose of the Virginia Disability Commission:

"The purpose of the Commission is to identify and recommend legislative priorities and policies for adoption or examination by the General Assembly in order to provide ongoing support in developing and reviewing services and funding related to Virginians with physical and sensory disabilities." Code of Virginia § 30-232.

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