

Health Policy and Legislative Training for Health Councils

Policy Making, Policy Analysis, Policy Research

*New Mexico Alliance of Health Councils
Policy Committee*



Training Agenda

- **New Mexico State Legislative Process**
- **2015 Legislative Session – Important Dates**
- **Overview of Health Council related legislation**
- **How to be pro-active during the session**

Essential Services of Public Health



What is policy development?

A ***Core Public Health Function*** that includes these Public Health Essential Services (PHES):

- *Inform, educate, and empower people about health issues (PHES #3)*
- *Mobilize community partnerships to identify and solve health problems (PHES #4)*
- *Develop policies and plans that support individual and community health efforts (PHES #5)*

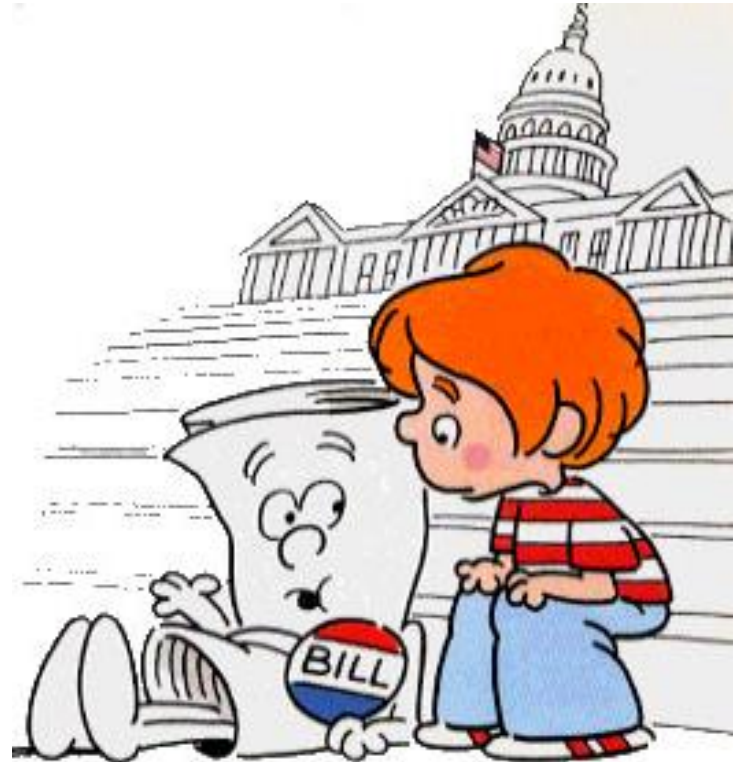
Public Health Policy

- **Public Policy:** system of laws, regulatory measures, courses of action, and funding priorities concerning a given topic promulgated by governmental entity or its representatives
- **Public Policy:** key to improving individual, family, community health
- **At state level**
 - ✓ **legislation** - propose, analyze, testify, implement
 - ✓ **resources** - allocate, implement, evaluate and report on results
- **At community level**
 - ✓ develop and participate in partnerships
 - ✓ provide technical assistance, data, resources
 - ✓ leveraging resources
- **Another approach:**
 - ✓ grant writing (federal funds, foundation, collaboration with partners)

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Items to Cover Today

- **2015 Legislative Session Dates**
- **How a Bill Becomes a Law**
- **Advocacy & Testimony**
- **Using the NM Legislative Website**
- **Tracking a bill**



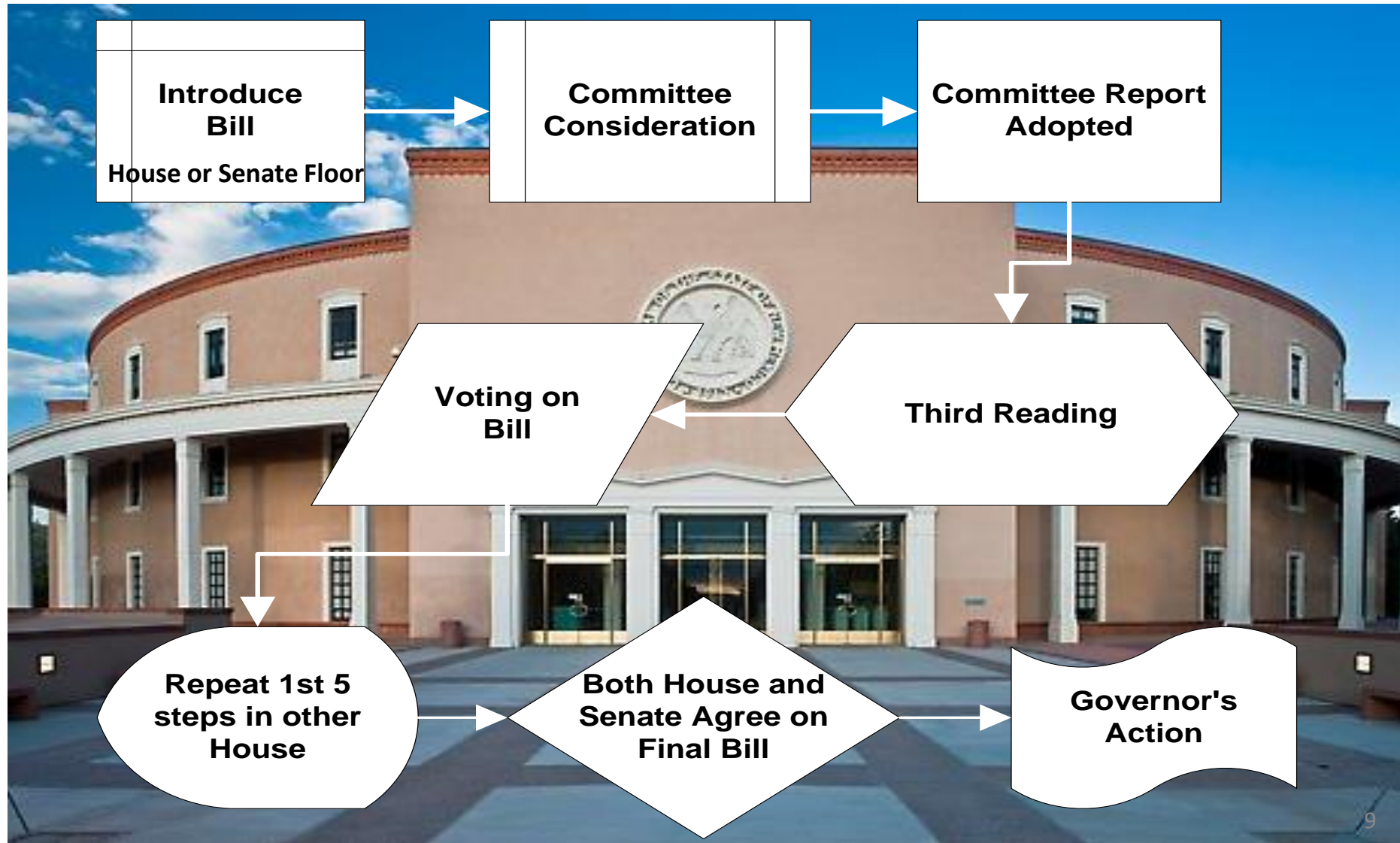
Important Dates to Remember

- 2015 is a 60-day legislative session
- Pre-filed bills: **December 15, 2014 - January 16, 2015**
- Session convenes at noon on **January 20, 2015**
- **January 26, 2015 - Public Health Day at the Legislature!**
- Deadline for introducing bills: **February 19, 2015**
- Adjourns noon on **March 21, 2015**
- If legislation is not acted upon by Governor by **April 10, 2015** bill is given a pocket veto
- Effective date of legislation: **June 19, 2015**



Trivia: How many bills are introduced in a long session?

How a Bill Becomes a Law



Bill Introduction and Committee Assignments

- **Bill Introduction**
 - On Governor's Call
 - By member of House or Senate
- **Committee Referral**
 - House Speaker – assigns bill to 1 or more committees
 - Senate *pro tempore* – bill is heard first in Committees' Committee, then assigned



Legislative Committees - Standing

House of Reps

AGRICULTURE & WATER RESOURCES

APPROPRIATIONS & FINANCE

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CONSUMER & PUBLIC AFFAIRS

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ENROLLING & ENGROSSING - A

ENROLLING & ENGROSSING - B

HEALTH, GOVERNMENT & INDIAN AFFAIRS

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Legislative Committees - Interim

**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE
COMMITTEE ON COMPACTS
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INDIAN AFFAIRS
INTERIM LEGISLATIVE ETHICS
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NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY OVERSIGHT
RADIOACTIVE & HAZARDOUS MATERIALS
REVENUE STABILIZATION & TAX POLICY**

**RULES
SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY &
TELECOMMUNICATIONS
TOBACCO SETTLEMENT REVENUE OVERSIGHT
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SUBCOMMITTEE
LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY - CHARTER
SCHOOL SUBCOMMITTEE
PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL OUTLAY OVERSIGHT
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CAPITOL BUILDINGS PLANNING COMMISSION
CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM SUBCOMMITTEE
DISABILITIES CONCERNS SUBCOMMITTEE**

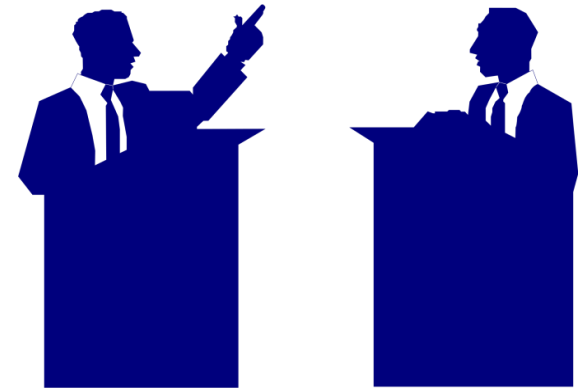
What Happens in Committee?

- **Committee Hearings** - opportunity for state agencies, lobbyists, advocates and public to speak in favor of or against a bill
- **Committees may take 1 of 6 possible actions:**
 - **Do Pass**
 - **Do Pass w/Amendments**
 - **Do Not Pass**
 - **No Recommendations**
 - **Committee Substitute**
 - **Table**



Third Reading

- **Following committee(s) passage:**
- **Sponsoring chamber hears bill**
 - **Debate**
 - **Majority vote (of members present and voting)**
- **If passed, bill goes to other chamber, where process is repeated**



Approval by Both Houses

- **Differences reconciled by conference committee representing House and Senate.**
- **Compromises agreed upon by this committee must return to each House for final approval.**



Enrolling & Engrossing

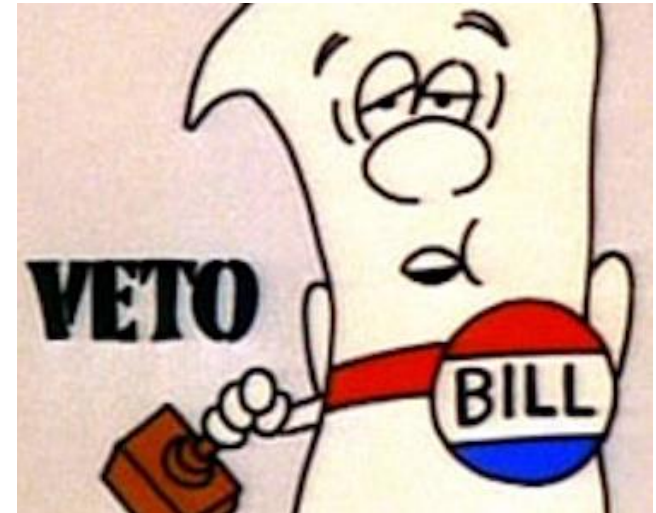
- After both Houses pass bill,
 1. Copied
 2. Signed by Presiding Officers of each House
 3. Sent to Governor



Governor's Action and Time Limits

- **Action**

- Sign into Law
- Veto
- Partial Veto (if bill incl. appropriation)
- May request more information from Departments



- **Time Limit**

- Up to 3 days before end of session: Governor must Veto, or bill automatically becomes law
- Last 3 days of session: Governor has 20 days after close of session to sign, or bill is automatically vetoed ('pocket veto').¹⁷

Trivia: How many bills are
passed during a long session?

Review of 2014 Legislation to aid Health Councils

HB80 - County and Tribal Community Health Needs (Tripp):

- Passed by House Committee on Health, Gov't, Indian Affairs, then incorporated into HB 2 and amount changed to \$100,000

SB68 – County & Tribal Early Childhood Services (Ortiz y Pino)

- Passed by Public Affairs Committee, then assigned to Finance, and suffered a death (never heard).

Criticisms of 2014 HB80 and SB68

HB80 - County and Tribal Community Health Needs (Tripp):

- *“PED indicates there is a potential duplication of efforts of the J. Paul Taylor Early Childhood Task Force and the Early Learning Advisory Council (ELAC) with the proposed early childhood services committees that will be created if SB 68 is enacted.”*

SB68 – County & Tribal Early Childhood Services (Ortiz y Pino)

- *“SB68 does not specify the ongoing relationship and accountability (e.g. reports, plans, data, analysis) between the proposed county and tribal early childhood councils and the Early Learning Advisory Council (ELAC).”*

Proposed 2015 Legislation to aid Health Councils

Aims of the proposed bills (HB99 and SB79) :

- \$900,000 would be appropriated from General Fund to the NMDOH for expenditure in fiscal year 2016
- Fund **county / tribal health councils (that's YOU!)** to identify local community health needs and develop strategies to address those needs
- Engage with communities in a collaborative process to complete Community Health Assessments (CHAs) and Community Health Improvement Plans (CHIPs)

Our 2015 Champions!



Senator Howie C. Morales - (D)

ECONOMIC & RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY
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FINANCE



Rep. Sharon Clahchischillage- (R)

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NM FINANCE AUTHORITY OVERSIGHT
PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL OUTLAY
OVERSIGHT TASK FORCE
TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE
REVENUE
ENROLLING AND ENGROSSING

Talking points and rebuttals for HC-related legislation

- **Health Councils work on issues affecting all ages of community members, not just children.**
- **NMDOH has a centralized system and not community-based; the Councils serve as a direct link with communities.**
- **(your input!)**

How *YOU* can be pro-active!!!



Trivia: Who do the legislators work for?

Use the Legislative Website

- Legislative website: <http://www.nmlegis.gov/lcs/>
- Bill Locators (bill text may be downloaded from legislative site)
- Legislative Reports
- Committee Schedules
- Fiscal Impact Reports (FIR)
- Webinars – REAL TIME!



What are FIRS?

Fiscal Impact Report (FIR) – provided to Legislators for reference during Committee Hearings

| FISCAL IMPACT REPORT | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|--------|---------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| SPONSOR | Griego | | ORIGINAL DATE | 03/04/13 | | |
| | | | LAST UPDATED | | | HB |
| SHORT TITLE | Liquor Control Act Update Task Force | | SM | 77 | | |
| | | | ANALYST | Chavez | | |
| ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands) | | | | | | |
| | FY13 | FY14 | FY15 | 3 Year Total Cost | Recurring or Nonrecurring | Fund Affected |
| Total | | \$30.0 | | | Nonrecurring | Other State Funds |
| <small>(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)</small> | | | | | | |
| Duplicates, Relates to, Conflicts with, Companion to HB 386, SB 351 | | | | | | |
| SOURCES OF INFORMATION | | | | | | |
| LFC Files | | | | | | |
| <u>Responses Received From</u> | | | | | | |
| Regulation and Licensing Department (RLD) | | | | | | |
| Department of Health (DOH) | | | | | | |
| SUMMARY | | | | | | |
| <u>Synopsis of Bill</u> | | | | | | |
| Senate Memorial 77 (SM 77) requests that the RLD convene a task force to undertake a comprehensive review of the Liquor Control Act and make recommendations to the legislature regarding amendments to update the Liquor Control Act to better meet the needs of the public. The memorial also requests that the task force include representatives from industries covered by the Liquor Control Act, as well as representatives from any other groups that may have an interest in amending the Liquor Control Act. The task force should be geographically diverse to ensure that voices are heard from around the state. | | | | | | |
| FISCAL IMPLICATIONS | | | | | | |
| The RLD estimates the cost of the task force to be between \$10 thousand and \$30 thousand. No appropriation is attached to this memorial. | | | | | | |



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2013 Regular Session

HB 560

NO TEXT MESSAGING WHILE DRIVING

Sponsor: David M. Gallegos

Current Location: Died (API.)

Actions: (Key to Abbreviations)
[22] HTPWC/HJC-HTPWC API.

 Introduced (2/13/13)
 Fiscal Impact Report

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Governor's Office relies on FIRS used when deciding to veto or sign bill.

Trivia:
How much do the legislators get paid?

Before the session: Contact your legislator(s)!

Who is/ are my legislator(s)?

http://www.nmlegis.gov/lcs/legislator_lookup.aspx



E-mail, call, snail mail! Refer to sample letter, talking points; personalize to reflect information about your own Health Council!

*Remember, legislators care about their own constituents and **WANT YOUR VOTE!**



My Roundhouse: 'tracking' legislation

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During the session...

Check for daily/weekly
agendas posted on
Legislative website
EACH MORNING

A screenshot of a web browser displaying the New Mexico Legislature website. The address bar shows 'http://www.nmlegis.gov/lcs/interim_calendar.aspx'. The page features a blue header with the 'New Mexico Legislature' logo and a search bar. A left sidebar contains a navigation menu with links like Home, Members, Legislation, and Committees. The main content area is titled 'Interim Committee Agendas and Calendars' and contains text about the legislature's interim committees. It also includes links for 'Legislative Calendar 2014', 'LegisLetter', and 'Webcasting'. At the bottom, there is a 'Quick Links' section and a list of 'Upcoming Interim Committee Meetings' with dates and locations, each with a 'Directions' link.

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Interim Committee Agendas and Calendars

The Legislature's interim committees meet between sessions to study a broad range of issues in preparation for the next legislative session. While some committee meetings begin as early as April or May, most of the meetings occur between June and November.

The Legislative Calendar and LegisLetter are updated every two weeks during the peak meeting months. They are correct as of their publication dates, but meeting information can change. Consult the agendas for current information.

[Legislative Calendar 2014](#)

[LegisLetter \(Interim Committee Meetings\)](#)

[Webcasting of the New Mexico Legislature](#)

Upcoming Interim Committee Meetings:

| | |
|---|----------------------------|
| Behavioral Health Subcommittee - October 8, 2014 University of New Mexico Student Union, Ballroom A | Directions |
| Mortgage Finance Authority Act Oversight Committee - October 8, 2014 Mortgage Finance Authority Office | Directions |

If bill is assigned to committee(s), contact committee members!

Committee members (legislators) may not represent your OWN community, nevertheless, you can ask each committee member to VOTE “yay” or “nay” on a particular bill!

The screenshot shows the New Mexico Legislature website. The header includes the state seal, the text "New Mexico Legislature", a site search bar, and a "Go!" button. A navigation menu on the left lists various links, with "Committees" circled in red. The main content area displays the "HEALTH, GOVERNMENT & INDIAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE" page, including meeting times and a list of members with their titles and roles.

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Site Search: **Go!**

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HEALTH, GOVERNMENT & INDIAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday - 8:30 a.m. - Room 309

Members:

| Title | Name | Role |
|----------------|-----------------------------|------------|
| Representative | James Roger Madalena | Chair |
| Representative | Nick L. Salazar | Vice Chair |
| Representative | Alonzo Baldonado | Member |
| Representative | Kelly K. Fajardo | Member |
| Representative | Nate Gentry | Member |
| Representative | Yvette Herrell | Member |
| Representative | Emily Kane | Member |
| Representative | Rodolpho "Rudy" S. Martinez | Member |
| Representative | Terry H. McMillan | Member |
| Representative | Elizabeth "Liz" Thomson | Member |
| Representative | Luciano "Lucky" Varela | Member |

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Watch bill debates *via* webinars

If you cannot attend a committee meeting or floor hearing in person....



Tune in to the webinar
to hear the debate!

Saying THANK YOU!



THANK YOU!

“Each of the great social achievements of recent decades has come about not because of government proclamations, but because people organized, made demands, and made it good politics to respond.”

-James Grant, former executive Director of UNICEF

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