AGENDA

Legislative Committee Meeting

Location: Disability and Communication Access Board
1010 Richards Street., Room 118

Date: March 6, 2019

Time: 12:00 p.m.

I. Call or Order

II. Introductions

III. Approval of February 27, 2019 Meeting Minutes

IV. Legislative Strategy/Positions Relating to Bills

V. Legislative Positions and Update
   A. Parking for Persons with Disabilities
   B. Nondiscrimination Against Persons with Disabilities/Civil Rights
   C. Communication Access
   D. Service Animals for Persons with Disabilities
   E. Building Code/Design
   F. Community Based Services for Persons with Disabilities
   G. Emergency Preparedness
   H. Administrative
   I. Other

VI. Open Forum
   Public comment on issues not on the agenda, for consideration for Committee’s agenda at the next meeting

VII. Next Meeting
   Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. at 1010 Richards Street, room 118

VIII. Adjournment

If you need an auxiliary aid/service or assistance due to a disability, please contact Cindy Omura at (808) 586-8121 or email dcab@doh.hawaii.gov by March 8, 2019. If a request is received after March 8, 2019, we will try to obtain the auxiliary aid/service or assistance but cannot guarantee that the request will be fulfilled. This notice is available in alternate format such as large print, Braille or electronic copy, upon request.
Location: Disability and Communication Access Board
1010 Richards Street., Room 118
Date: March 6, 2019
Time: 12:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Rosanna Daniel-Kanetake, Chairperson; Anthony Akamine, Monty Anderson-Nitahara (via phone), Dean Georgiev, Violet Horvath (via phone), Board Members; Francine Wai, Debbie Jackson, Jeanette Hendrickson, DCAB Staff

GUEST: Peter Fritz

I. Chairperson Rosanna Daniel-Kanetake called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

II. All Committee members, staff and guest introduced themselves.

III. The minutes of the February 27, 2019 meeting were approved as circulated (M/S/P Georgiev/Akamine).

IV. Legislative Strategy/Positions Relating to Bills

A. Nondiscrimination Against Persons with Disabilities
   • SB 660 – Relating to State Identification Cards. Creates a non-compliant identification card for individuals that are not able to provide an updated photograph and documentation in-person as required by the REAL ID Act of 2005.

   ACTION: SUPPORT (This bill impacts people with disabilities who cannot leave their homes. Providing a non-compliant REAL ID may not meet their needs related to having a caregiver pick up medication or assist with banking depending on the institution with which they do business.) (M/S/P Horvath/Nitahara-Anderson)

B. Community Based Services for Persons with Disabilities
   • HB 398, HD1 – Relating to the University of Hawaii. Requires the University of Hawaii system to create additional distance-learning classes in teaching for students who are pursuing undergraduate degrees in education.
ACTION: COMMENT  (Distance-learning classes must ensure accessibility to people with disabilities.) (M/S/P Georgiev/Akamine)

• SB 1246, SD2 – Relating to Telehealth. Establishes goals for the adoption and proliferation of telehealth to increase health care access. Establishes the Strategic Telehealth Advisory Council and permanent full-time equivalent State Telehealth Coordinator position. Establishes the telehealth administrative simplification working group to research, make recommendations, and report to the legislature. Appropriates funds. Repeals 1/1/2022. Effective 7/1/2050.

ACTION: COMMENTS  (Telehealth services must ensure accessibility to patients with disabilities.) (M/S/P Akamine/Georgiev)

V. Legislative Positions and Update

DCAB staff reported on status of bills that were heard and passed out of committee hearings last week prior to first decking on March 1, 2019.

A. Parking for Persons with Disabilities

• HB 696, HD2 – Relating to Parking for Disabled Persons. Limits the exemption from parking fees to drivers with a disability who are unable to operate a parking meter or pay station because of the driver’s disability and who display a distinguishing parking device, code, permit, or decal. Clarifies time limits applicable to the exemption. Prohibits the unauthorized sale or purchase of disability parking placards and special license plates. Clarifies authority of enforcement officers to confiscate placards and special license plates for violations of requirements for manufacture, sale, purchase, or use. Allows advanced practice registered nurses to make a determination regarding a person’s mobility.

UPDATE: The bill was heard, amended and passed out of the House Committee on Judiciary. Wording about exemptions from paying parking fees were inserted back into the bill. The bill passed third reading in the House on March 5, 2019 and the House transmitted a copy of the bill to the Senate on that date.

• SB 1236, SD2 – Relating to Parking for Disabled Persons. Clarifies that the exemption from payment of parking fees is an exception for drivers who are unable to reach or operate a parking meter or unattended pay station because of a physical disability, and who display a disabled paid parking exemption permit. Clarifies that the time limits for the parking fee exemption applies to unattended pay stations as well as meters. Makes the unauthorized act of selling or buying a disability parking permit a misdemeanor. Provides that law enforcement may confiscate a disability parking permit that has been altered or is invalid. Clarifies the types of disabilities that qualify for a disability parking permit.
The bill was heard, amended and passed out of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means. This is the bill from the Governor's package. The SD2 made the effective date July 1, 2050 to continue discussion on the bill, and made other technical non-substantive changes to the bill for clarity, consistency and style. Wording in this bill is preferred. House receive a copy of the bill on March 5, 2019.

B. Nondiscrimination Against Persons with Disabilities/Civil Rights
• SB 560, SD2 – Relating to Elections. Enacts voting by mail uniformly across all counties for all elections commencing in 2022. Establishes a limited number of voter service centers that would remain open from the tenth business day preceding an election through the day of the election to receive personal delivery of mail-in ballots, accommodate voters with special needs, offer same day registration and voting, and provide other election services. Allows for additional places of deposit for personal delivery of mail-in ballots. Appropriates funds for the implementation and administration of the election by mail system. Requires the office of elections to submit a report to the legislature prior to the convening of each regular session from 2020 through 2025, regarding the implementation of a vote by mail system.

The bill was heard, amended and passed out of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means on March 1, 2019. The bill was adopted on third reading and transmitted to the House on March 5, 2019. Amendments to the bill included correcting a reference to Act 182, Session Laws of 2018; changing the effective date to July 1, 2050 to continue discussion on the bill; and making technical non-substantive changes to the bill for purposes of clarity, consistency and style.

C. Communication Access
No bills were discussed in this category.

D. Service Animals for Persons with Disabilities
No bills were discussed in this category.

E. Building Code/Design
No bills were discussed in this category.

F. Community Based Services for Persons with Disabilities
No bills were discussed in this category.

G. Emergency Preparedness
No bills were discussed in this category.

H. Administrative
No bills were discussed in this category.

I. Other
No bills were discussed in this category.
VI. Open Forum
Guest Peter Fritz asked for a list of bills that remain alive with DCAB positions after the crossover. Staff will create a list and make it available to Committee members and the guest.

VII. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. at 1010 Richards Street in room 118. March 8, 2019 is the deadline for substantive resolutions to be introduced. The next meeting will include disability-related resolutions for discussion.

VIII. The meeting adjourned at 12:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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