



**CHILDREN'S ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH &
PROTECTION ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Children's Environmental Health Protection and Advisory Council

**January 21, 2020
James Senate Office Building
11 Bladen Street Annapolis, MD 21401
Budget & Taxation Committee Room
10:00am – 12:00pm**

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Meeting Minutes

In attendance:

Alicia Mezu	Julian Levy
Duane Johnson	Scott LeRoy
Kelly Love	Laura Allen
Camille Burke	Cliff Mitchell
Megan Latshaw	Eamon Flynn
Ruth Vriend (for Sen. Guzzone)	Veronika Carella

Public:

Brooke Frooman (Intern for Sen. Guzzone)
Blake Green (Intern for Sen. Guzzone)

Welcome and Introductions

Administration

Approval of Meeting Minutes

- October - Camille and Megan motioned to approve - approved
- November - Camille and Megan motioned to approve - approved
- December - Laura and Camille motioned to approve - approved

2019 Attendance Report Update / Reminder

- Attendance via phone is allowed
- Members should attend at least half of all meetings
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Ethics Reports

- Financial disclosure required by April 30th

MDA Pesticide Advisory Committee Update

- Veronika presented to the Committee handouts: “How do we protect our children, air, water supply, food supply, property, ourselves?”
- Dennis Howard retirement - Chief of Pesticide Regulation Section. Rob H. to take over for Dennis Howard and will continue to be the CEHPAC representative
- Letter from CEHPAC to MDA has been received, MDA will ask for a response before next meeting, but it was noted that a quicker response would be more beneficial and timely given the legislative session .
- Sen. Pulliam retired before she was able to follow up with MDA on letter sent by CEHPAC. Request for Sen. Guzzone to follow up with MDA instead if MDA is unable to respond in a timely matter.

Maryland’s Children and the Environment Update

Outline

- Where there are data gaps (e.g. pesticides), authors should lean on scientific evidence and to highlight those data gaps.
- Appendix D to include policies, resources and tools highlighting statutory protections for children.
- Timeframe: First drafts due in May/June. Cliff and Eamon can review early drafts if authors wish for feedback before then. May not be finalized before 2021 session, but focus is to do it right.
- Camille can take lead on lead.
- Julian Levy to take lead on outdoor air pollution.

Template

- Sarah Glick sent a draft of 3.4 BIRTH OUTCOMES: Prematurity and Low Birth Weight
- Eamon and Cliff prepared a template that can be used based on the draft sent by Sarah

2020 Legislative Session

Bills of Interest

- Eamon presented an overview of HB 7, HB 3, SB 54, SB 3, HB 229, SB 184
- HB 229 - Pesticides - Chlorpyrifos
 - Veronika drafted LOS based on previous position submitted by CEHPAC. Need to correct address line, header on page 2, order of punctuation and footnote numbers.
 - Suggestion to strike quote from LA Times (footnote #2) because it is not attributed to anyone. Eamon, Cliff, and Megan to substitute paragraph from last year (3rd paragraph on first page), make corrections, and send to group. Ruth to assist Veronika in submitting letter. Megan and Cliff to discuss who should be signatory.
 - CEJSC interested in submitting joint position. CEHPAC to share letter, but it will be easier to submit separate positions.
- Green Amendment - Establishes a right to a clean and healthy environment (amendment to Maryland constitution).
 - Would give people a standing to bring a case for violations of right to a clean environment absent damage to persons/property. Concerns were raised whether this could be abused.

- Megan Latshaw to look at drafting a policy position for CEHPAC to consider.
- SB 18 - Lead Poisoning Prevention Commission
 - Technical changes to Commission composition - no action
- SB 65 - Safe Routes to Schools
 - Injury prevention/built environment - CEHPAC to monitor and _____
 - Hearing 1/22
 - CEHPAC to consider letter highlighting challenges for students to walk to schools where built environment / weather hazards / environmental hazards (including pesticide applications) create unsafe conditions. Discussion of establishing pesticide no-spray zones along SRTS. Veronika to draft letter of support to share with group.
- SB 135 - Immunizations - Minor Consent
 - Suggest deferral to other councils and commissions who deal specifically with immunizations.
- SB 207 - Unaccompanied Minors in Need of Shelter
 - Not germane to charge of CEHPAC.
- HB 15 - Public School - Certificate of Dental Health
 - Not germane to charge of CEHPAC.
- HB 26 - Student Absences - Mental Illnesses
 - Not germane to charge of CEHPAC.
- HB 53 - Contraceptive Devices for Minors
 - Not germane to charge of CEHPAC.
- HB 109 - Public Service Commission - Health Impact Assessment
 - Advances the use of HIA in policy decisions, and may have some relevance to children's environmental health, but is limited.
 - Bill is consistent with a recommendation by the Health in All Policies Workgroup Report.
 - Julian, Megan, and Veronika to look at a general policy position on use of HIA on children's environmental health issues, i.e. benefit of considering children's environmental health in HIA process and value of using HIA as a tool.
- HB 110 - Homestead Property Tax Credit - Lead Registry
 - Technical bill specific to Baltimore Co. that does not affect lead statute or lead registry
- HB 113 - Minor Patient's Bill of Rights
 - Not germane to charge of CEHPAC.
- HB 136 - On-site Wastewater Service
- HB 161 - Requirements for Fertilizer Applications
 - CEHPAC to monitor
- HB 178 - Zones of Dewatering Influence
 - CEHPAC to monitor
- HB 187 - Education - Outbreak Response Plan
 - Not germane to charge of CEHPAC.
- HB 208 - Provisions for menstrual products in schools
 - Not germane to charge of CEHPAC.

- HB 302 - Weapons on Schools
 - CEHPAC to monitor
- HB 331 - Medical Cannabis - Administration to Children
 - Not germane to charge of CEHPAC.
- House Joint Resolution 1 - Climate Emergency
 - Climate change within the purview of CEHPAC - consider contributing to any potential positions by CEJSC
- Discussion of process for discussion of bills of interest. If you see a bill of interest, send to Eamon or Cliff who will distribute it to the group. If CEHPAC feels like it would be prudent to meet before the next meeting (March 17th), we can potentially hold another meeting/call to discuss relevant legislation.

No public comments

Adjourn at 12:00pm

Action Items

Create new calendar event for CEHPAC meetings, invite CEHPAC members

Cliff to send data on ESD to Zain (Megan Latshaw's student)

Eamon to send out revised template based on Sarah Glick's draft

Ruth to inquire about process for House Joint Resolutions.

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