Maryland Advisory Council on Health and Wellness

Legislative Bill Review Meeting Minutes

February 13, 2024; 9:00-9:30 A.M.

Virtual Meeting

Members Present

Andrew Baker
Crystal Bell
Tomika Coleman
Leigh Ann Eagle
Jennifer Eastman
Roger Harrell
Darryl Heggans
Lusi Martin-Braswell
Jared Meacham
Marsha Seidelman
Jason Semanoff
Teresa Titus-Howard
Pamela Williams
Sam Zisow-McClean

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Salliann Alborn
Mary Backley
Tara Clemons
Jonathan Dayton
Mychelle Farmer
Gary Gerstenblith
Seth Martin
Mallory Mourdajian
Aruna Nathan
Vaple Robinson
Afton Thomas
Pamela Xenakis

MDH STAFF PRESENT

Kristi Pier Dana Moncrief Alexandra Nowalk

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT

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Meeting opened at 9:01am by Chair Titus-Howard, who reviewed the agenda. Ms. Pier took roll.

Chair Titus-Howard asked Ms. Moncrief to provide an overview of SB220.

Discussion of SB 582/HB844 - Business Regulation – Cigarette, Other Tobacco Product, and Electronic Smoking Device Retailers – Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT) Products (Making Quitting Convenient Act). Dana Moncref, Director for the MDH Center for Tobacco Prevention and Control, provided an overview of SB582/HB844. Ms. Moncrief discussed the purpose of the bills, the purpose of requiring licensees that sell cigarettes, other tobacco products, or electronic smoking devices at retail to keep in stock and offer for sale at retail at least one kind of nicotine replacement therapy product and to post certain signs; and generally relating to the retail sale of nicotine replacement therapy products.

Chair Titus-Howard asked for questions; there were none.

Public Comment–no members of the public were in attendance.

Chair Tltus-Howard asked for a vote on the SB582/HB844 positions: A vote was taken on the position with 9 approved and 5 abstain votes; as there was not a quorum, an online survey was sent to only member not present (which closed on 2/14), which yielded 6 votes to approve, and 1 vote to abstain. The position was passed for submission.

Closing	9:28 AM	