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# Legislative Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

The Legislative Subcommittee of the NCIA Board convened at 12:38pm, Friday, Feb 17, 2025 held a virtual meeting via google meets, with Jack Confer, Executive Director, presiding.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Nina Louis, Member Amy Malkin, Member

## **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**STAFF PRESENT:** Jack Confer, Executive Director

# I. <u>CALL TO ORDER:</u>

The meeting was called to order at 12:38PM by Executive Director John Confer.

# II. ROLL CALL:

Member Malkin and Member Louis were both present.

Public Member Ken Kidder and Member Susan Archer were on the previous Subcommittee were also present.

Kelsie Lane from Arizona Leading Age

## III. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - A.R.S. § 38-503:

No conflicts of interest were declared.

## IV. NOMINATION AND VOTE FOR SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIR:

Member Malkin nominated Nina Louis for Subcommittee chair.

#### VOICE ROLL CALL: (2-0) Passed

## V. INTRODUCTIONS FROM ATTENDEES:

No introductions were made.

# VI. <u>REVIEW, CONSIDERATION AND DISCUSSION OF HB 2183, INCLUDING</u> <u>ANY AMENDMENTS AND/OR LANGUAGE CHANGES:</u>

Executive Director presented an overview from Member Hill's last Subcommittee meeting notes.

Executive Director Confer gave details that on page 7 for administrator qualifications there was no consensus from the last subcommittee meeting.

Kidder gave details that those administrative qualification changes are important to have consensus on and recommends to possibly postpone administrative changes in order for other changes to be made.

Executive Director Confer made a reference to what an administrative code might be, a Nurse that has an Associate Degree in Nursing could qualify for an Administrator License without taking the AIT course and to remove American College Healthcare certificate language.

Executive Director Confer made a suggestion that there should still be a temporary license for at least 60 - 90 days due to the change in Approval of Fingerprints. FBI just approved a National background check not just local, but will require time for fingerprints to process.

Chairman Louis expressed concern whether the requirements would be a conflict for requirement for anyone that is working more than eight hours a day with residents.

Executive Director Confer gave details that no Managers and Administrators will still be required to hold an active fingerprint clearance card. The National background will be an additional step in the application and licensing process.

Executive Director Confer, referenced page 14, lines 1-6, and suggested that the civil penalty portion should keep the \$500 per violation.

Susan Archer gave details that she agrees that it should be left as is, she stated that what they get from DHS is more of corporate vs manager/administrator. Archer also mentioned that in the past years civil penalty has not been issued as frequently vs reimbursement of investigative cost.

Executive Director Confer gave details on the difference between reimbursements of investigative cost vs. civil penalties and how that money is distributed and how the Board has authority to use, if needed.

Member Malkin asked if administrator qualifications would be reviewed.

Executive Director Confer gave details that yes administrator qualifications will be reviewed separately with a rule writer to seek these changes in Administrative code rather than statute, the Board just renewed its contract with a rule writer. Explained the rule writing process to the subcommittee.

# VII. FINAL RECOMMENDATION(S) FOR AMENDMENTS:

Executive Director Confer went around the meeting room, opened the space again for further discussion and recommendations.

No further discussions or recommendations were made.

Chairman Louis made a motion, seconded by Member Malkin to adopt the changes as discussed

Ken Kidder, Susan Archer, and Kelsie Lane, were all in favor of the motion.

Executive Director Confer thanked the attendees for their help and participation.

## VIII. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The meeting adjourned on Feb 17, 2025 1:00 PM.



Jack Confer, Executive Director