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CTEMSAB LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Date: 03/15/24 **Time:** 0900-1000

Location: GoTo Meeting. **Call-In Info:** (United States: [+1 \(224\) 501-3412](tel:+12245013412)) **Access Code:** 172-456-077
<https://meet.goto.com/MikeLoiz/cemsab-legislative-committee-meeting>

Member Attendees: Judy Reynolds; Jay Paretzky; Leigh Goodman; Kate Coupe; Greg Allard; Bob Mara; Frank Glowski; John Quinlavin, Charles Dunn

Guests:

Chaired by: Loiz, Michael

Topic	Discussion	Action
Meeting Called to order at	1300	Meeting commenced
Acceptance of Last Minutes	Mara/Coupe	
Public Comment	None	None
DPH/OEMS Report	None	None
Presentations	N/A	N/A
Chairs Report	<p>Region 1 & 2 Legislative Breakfast 3/23 @ 0900 @ MEMS</p> <p>3/8 – LOB Press Event in room 1C – There will also be a news blast that am</p> <p>Also media blast: https://ctnewsjunkie.com/2024/03/14/legislature-debates-solution-for-medicaid/?fbclid=IwAR0mAm8NrWtY0sLXLVDXHFnmf7ZA0BGqeOodvdyN7-EkCSrLNnTarrprRw</p> <p>NAEMT has introduced an MIH Bill to the House/Senate requesting a grant program be established to support and promote MIH programs</p> <p>Reminder about EMS on the Hill 4/17-18 in DC</p>	

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<p>Discussion</p>	<p>Discussion on press conference on Monday</p> <p>This Past Week: 5427 – Non-emergency medical transportation 5460 – Health Insurance coverage for ambulance services – Kim Aroh testified 5479 – UConn PSA: John Q – circumvents the PSA process, ACAP, HHC submitted testimony. Discussion ensued. 5480 – Makes changes to Public Safety statutes 5483 – Transferring functions of Fire Admin to ES/PP 5490 – Ambulance Sales Tax – Mara will be testifying</p> <p>Next Week: 5488 – Public Health statutes: Adds glucagon nasal powder “may administer” to “shall administer” – Hearing on 3/18 – Sent to CEMSMAC and Regional Mac Committees SB1 – Health & Safety bill: Zura, maybe add mandated Narcan leave behind kits – hearing on 3/18 SB16 – Revenue for Govs Budget – Hearing on 3/22</p>	
<p>Federal Level</p>	<p>American Ambulance Association: Visit the Action Center to submit testimony easily</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. EMS Workforce: One-Pager on EMS Workforce Shortage 2. Medicare Ambulance relief: S.1673 & HR.1666 3. Balance Billing: One-Pager on Balance Billing 4. Veterans affairs: One-Pager on VA Final Rule Delay <p>NAEMT Advocacy – Use the OLS to submit testimony easily</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. EMS Workforce Bill: EMS Counts Act: S.1115 and HR.2574 2. SIREN bill S.265 & HR.4646 3. TIP & TAD bill = Passed 4. Extend Ground Ambulance add-ons: S.1673 & HR.1666 5. Congressional EMS Caucus – Right now, this is the most important because we (CT) don’t have any representation on this caucus in DC 6. MIH (Community Paramedicine – Grant program to support and promote community paramedicine programs. <p>NCSL EMS Legislative Database</p>	<p>Testimony sent from NAEMT and AAA on the following issues</p> <p>-Kate asks about surprise billing – what’s happening at the national level? Discussion ensued with regard to AAA / NAEMT initiatives</p> <p>Also discussed EMS on the Hill</p>
<p>FYI’s</p>	<p>EMS on the Hill is 4/17-18/2024: https://naemt.org/events/register</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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Adjourned: 1345: Allard / Mara

Respectfully Submitted: Loiz, Michael

Upcoming Meeting Dates: 4/18, 5/16, 6/13, 7/18, 8/15, 9/19, 10/17, 11/14, 12/19

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