DDS Legislative Update – February 17, 2012

Commerce Committee Public Hearing – Tuesday, February 21, 2012

<u>Date Change</u> on the Program Review and Investigations Public Hearing to Wednesday, February 22, 2012

The Commerce Committee is holding a public hearing on Tuesday, February 21, 2012 on the Department of Developmental Services and the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services bill H.B. No. 5105 AN ACT CONCERNING THE JOB EXPANSION TAX CREDIT PROGRAM AND INDIVIDUALS RECEIVING CERTAIN SERVICES FROM THE DEPARTMENTS OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES AND DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

This bill expands the Job Expansion Tax Credit Program to employers who hire DDS consumers in DDS employment services. The bill also expands the tax credit to persons in Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services' employment services. Currently, this tax credit is only available to employers who hire persons served by the Bureau of Rehabilitation Services. Please see below for the public hearing information.

The Commerce Committee will hold a public hearing immediately following a 10:00 A.M. committee meeting on Tuesday, February 21, 2012 in Room 1D of the Legislative Office Building (LOB). Please submit 40 copies of written testimony to Committee staff one hour prior to the start of the hearing in Room 1D of the LOB. Sign-up for the hearing will begin at 9:00 A.M. in Room 1D of the LOB. The first hour of the hearing is reserved for Legislators, State Agency Heads and Municipal Elected Officials. Speakers will be limited to three minutes of testimony. Unofficial sign-up sheets have no standing with the Committee. SUBJECT MATTER: Miscellaneous, Economic Development and Agency Proposals

DATE CHANGE

The Program Review and Investigations Committee is holding a public hearing, previously scheduled on Thursday, February 23rd, and now scheduled for Wednesday, February 22nd on H.B. No. 5036 AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM REVIEW AND INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF SELECTED SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY. This bill's provisions would enact some of the committee's recommendations in their study Provision of Selected Services for Clients with Intellectual Disabilities. Please see below for the public hearing.

The Program Review and Investigations Committee will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 22, 2012 at 1:00 P.M. in Room 2D of the Legislative Office Building (LOB). Please submit 30 copies of written testimony to Committee staff at the time of sign up. Testimony submitted after sign-up may not be distributed until after the hearing. Sign-up for the hearing will begin at 12:00 P.M. in Second Floor Atrium of the LOB. The first hour of the hearing is reserved for the public, with the second hour reserved for Legislators, Constitutional Officers, State Agency Heads and Chief Municipal Elected Officials, alternating

thereafter. Speakers will be limited to three minutes of testimony. Bills will be heard in the order listed in the Bulletin. Unofficial sign-up sheets have no standing with the Committee.