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House Sunset Committee (Policy Analysis & Government Accountability)
Meeting Minutes
June 9, 2010

Chairman Kowalko called the meeting to order at 4:29 p.m. Members present included Representatives Atkins, Bennett, Kovach and Lee. For a list of guests present, please see attached.

After calling the meeting to order, Chairman Kowalko addressed **HB 446, AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 31 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE NEWARK HOUSING AUTHORITY**. Chairman Kowalko explained that this bill makes statutory changes to the Delaware Code relating to the Newark Housing Authority including changing the number of commissioners and shortening the length of their terms.

Representative Bennett motioned to release the bill from committee; Rep. Kovach seconded the motion. The bill was released on a 0-5-0 vote.

Chairman Kowalko then addressed **HB 454, AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO STATE GOVERNMENT**. Chairman Kowalko explained that this bill removes inactive councils from the Delaware Code.

Rep. Kovach motioned to release the bill from committee; Rep. Lee seconded the motion. The bill was released on a 0-5-0 vote.

Finally, Chairman Kowalko addressed **SB 44, AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 16 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO CONFIDENTIALITY OF PERSONAL HEALTH INFORMATION**. Chairman Kowalko explained that this bill came from last year's Joint Sunset Review, and it allows protected health information to be released for specific health research purposes while still adhering to federal HIPAA regulations.

Rep. Bennett motioned to release the bill from committee; Rep. Atkins seconded the motion. The bill was released from committee on a 1-4-0 vote.

Chairman Kowalko adjourned the meeting at 4:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Katie Anderson