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Meeting Minutes
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Chairman Kowalko called the meeting to order at 12:18 p.m. Members present included Reps. Lee and Bennett. For a list of guests, please see the attached document.

Chairman Kowalko stated that **HB 463, AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 24 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO MASSAGE AND BODYWORK**, was first on the agenda. He stated that this bill phases out the two tier license structure currently established in regards to licenses to massage and bodywork therapists and certificates to massage technicians.

Rep. Bennett motioned to release the bill. Rep. Lee seconded the motion. The bill was released from committee with two favorable votes and one vote on its merits.

HB 464, AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 16 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATION TO AMUSEMENT RIDES SAFETY INSPECTION AND INSURANCE ACT; FIRE PREVENTION; REPORTING OF BURN INJURIES AND WOUNDS; AND REDUCED IGNITION PROPENSITY CIGARETTES, was next on the agenda. Chairman Kowalko stated that an amendment would be introduced with this bill and asked if Rep. Lee was going to sponsor the amendment.

Rep. Lee stated he would introduce the amendment as long as the bill was not heard on the floor until next week.

Rep. Lee motioned to release the bill. Rep. Bennett seconded the motion. The bill was released from committee with two favorable votes and one vote on its merits.

Chairman Kowalko stated that **HB 481, AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 24, CHAPTER 11 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS**, incorporates all the changes recommended by the Joint Sunset Committee following its review of the Board of Dental Examiners. He referred to Karen Warren, from the Division of Professional Regulation, to speak on behalf of the amendment that will be added to the legislation.

Ms. Warren stated that the future amendment will clearly define “dental assistant” in the bill. The definition will be changed to state that a “dental assistant” shall mean any person not licensed to practice dentistry and/or dental hygiene in this state, who aids a

dentist in the performance of generalized tasks, including chair-side aid, clerical work, radiography, dental laboratory work and any other such tasks delegated by the dentists. She clarified that this definition was first recommended by the Dental Hygienist Association.

Chairman Kowalko suggested that all parties involved be made aware of the amendment and approve the definition.

Rep. Lee asked if dentists have been made aware of the amendment and its definition. Deborah Puzzo, from the Division of Professional Regulation, stated that dentists have been made aware of the amendment and that the definition read includes recommendations from them. She stated the definition needs to be checked by the Dental Hygienist Association once more before the actual amendment was added.

Rep. Lee motioned to release the bill. Rep. Bennett seconded the motion. The bill was released from committee with two favorable votes and one vote on its merits.

SB 184, AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 26 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMITTEE, was next on the agenda. Chairman Kowalko stated that this legislation was a result of last year's Sunset Committee and simply changed the name of the Dual Party Relay Advisory Committee to the Telecommunications Relay Service Advisory Committee.

Rep. Lee motioned to release the bill. Rep. Bennett seconded the motion. The bill was released from committee with two favorable votes and one vote on its merits.

Chairman Kowalko stated that **SB 250, AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 24 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS**, was introduced by Sen. McBride. He stated that the bill gives appropriate authority to the Council.

Without any further questions or comments, Rep. Lee motioned to release the bill. Rep. Bennett seconded the motion. The bill was released from committee with two favorable votes and one vote on its merits.

Chairman Kowalko stated that **SB 268, AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 24 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE ADOPTION AND ENFORCEMENT OF A UNIFIED HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR CONDITIONING, AND REFRIGERATION CODE, THE INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE, AND THE INTERNATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE**, was last on the agenda. He stated that this legislation was introduced by Sen. Peterson and that he hoped this legislation was vetted through the appropriate parties. Ms. Puzzo and Ms. Warren stated the division supports the legislation and that it was unanimously passed through the Senate.

Ed Capodanno, from the Delaware Chapter of the Associated Builders and Contractors Inc., stated that all municipalities were in favor of the legislation and that the legislation was revenue neutral.

Rep. Bennett motioned to release the bill. Rep. Lee seconded the motion. The bill was released from committee with two favorable votes and one vote on its merits.

Without any further questions or comments, Chairman Kowalko adjourned the meeting at 12:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Amy Clark