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**House Committee on Human Services**

**AGENDA**

**Room 46**

**January 7, 2014 - January 10, 2014**

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**Tuesday, January 7, 2014**

10:00 AM

**FLOOR**

15 min. after floor adjourns **Review of FY '14 Budget Language**

*Reach-Up*

Katie McLinn, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Council

12:00 PM

**Lunch & Caucuses**

2:30 PM

**Reach-Up**

*Report and Updates*

David Yacovone, Commissioner, Department for Children and Families

Carol Maloney, Principal Assistant to the Commissioner, Department for Children and Families

Karina Ware, Reach-Up Program Director, Department for Children and Families

3:30 PM

**Agency of Human Services Budget Adjustment**

*Department for Children and Families*

David Yacovone, Commissioner, Department for Children and Families

4:00 PM **Agency of Human Services Budget Adjustment**  
*Department for Children and Families*  
*Comments from Legal Aid*  
Christopher Curtis, Attorney, Legal Aid

5:00 PM **Adjourn**

**Wednesday, January 08, 2014**

9:15 AM **Review of FY '14 Budget Language**  
*General Assistance Emergency Housing*  
Katie McLinn, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Council

10:00 AM **Joint Meeting on General Assistance and Temporary Housing**  
*House Committees on Appropriations; General, Housing & Military Affairs; and Human Services. Room 11*

*"Why is the need for temporary housing so great and what suggestions are there to put people in more permanent settings while lowering costs?"*

David Yacovone, Commissioner, Department for Children and Families

Linda Ryan, Co-Chair, Governor's Council on Pathways out of Poverty

Chris Donnelly, Director of Community Relations, Champlain Housing Trust

Janeen Morse, Randolph

Whitney Nichols, Self Advocate, Brattleboro via Phone

Christopher Curtis, Attorney, Legal Aid

Dan Jerman, Hearing Officer, Agency of Human Services

Kristin Clouser, Deputy Attorney General, Agency of Human Services

William Ahlers, Deputy Attorney General, Agency of Human Services

Jonica Holich, Brattleboro

Jennifer Hollar, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Economic,  
Housing & Community Development

Gus Seelig, Executive Director, Vermont Housing & Conservation  
Board

12:00 PM      **FLOOR**

1:00 PM      **Lunch**

2:00 PM      **State of the State Address**

3:30 PM      **AHS Budget Adjustment**  
Doug Racine, Secretary, Agency of Human Services  
Jim Giffin, Chief Fiscal Officer, Agency of Human Services

4:45 PM      **Adjourn**

**Thursday, January 09, 2014**

8:30 AM      **Administration Pre-trial Services Proposal**  
*Joint House/Senate Committee Hearing, Room 11*  
Bobby Sand, Senior Policy and Legal Advisor, Vermont  
Department of Public Safety  
Andy Pallito, Commissioner, Department of Corrections

**S. 295 - An act relating to pretrial services, risk assessments, and  
criminal justice programs**  
*Review*  
Michele Childs, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Council

10:30 AM      **Break**

10:45 AM      **iPad Training**  
Albert Coccagna, User Support Specialist, Office of Legislative  
Council

11:45 AM      **Payroll and Expenses System Tutorial**  
Janet Miller, Deputy Director of Operations, Office of Legislative

Council

Lee Stone, Committee Staff, Officer of Legislative Council

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **FLOOR**

15 min after floor adjourns **Review of FY '14 Budget Language**

*Department of Health: Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs,  
Maple Leaf Farm*

Jennifer Carbee, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative  
Council

**Budget Adjustment Proposals**

*Department of Health*

Dr. Harry Chen, Commissioner, Department of Health

**Opioid Addiction Treatment Programs**

*Dept. of Health Report-Findings and Recommendations  
Other Reports on Opioid Substance Abuse*

Barbara Cimaglio, Deputy Commissioner, Alcohol and Drug  
Abuse Program, Dept. of Health

Bob Bick, Director, Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services,  
HowardCenter

4:00 PM **Agency of Human Services Scorecard**

*Preview-Room 11*

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

**Friday, January 10, 2014**

9:30 AM **FLOOR**

15 min. after floor adjourns **iPad Training (iAnnotate)**

Albert Coccagna, User Support Specialist, Office of Legislative  
Council

11:00 AM

**H. 373 - An act relating to updating and reorganizing Title 33**

Jennifer Carbee, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Council

Kenneth Schatz, General Counsel, Agency of Human Services

11:45 AM

**H. 576 - An act relating to applications for the Lifeline program**

Carol Maloney, Principal Assistant to the Commissioner, Department for Children and Families

12:00 PM

**Lunch**

1:00 PM

**Mental Health Oversight Committee Report**

*Overview*

Katie McLinn, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Council

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**Budget Adjustment Proposals**

*Department of Mental Health*

Paul Dupre, Commissioner, Department of Mental Health

Frank Reed, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Mental Health

Heidi Hall, CFO, Department of Mental Health

Nick Emlen, Mental Health Systems Coordination, Vermont Council of Developmental and Mental Health Services

3:00 PM

**Adjourn**

*If you have any questions or comments, please contact*

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