#### Behavioral Health Planning Council Legislative Committee

#### Friday, January 29, 2021 11:00 AM, CT

**Call to Order.** Greg Gallagher, Facilitator, called the business meeting of the BHPC Legislative Committee to order at 11:04 AM, CT.

Members Present. Brenda Bergsrud; Emma Quinn, Teresa Larsen.

**BHCP Member Attendees:** Lorraine Davis and Carl Young.

Facilitator. Greg Gallagher, The Consensus Council.

Legislative Committee Charge. Greg Gallagher provided background information regarding (a) the December 16, 2020, Committee meeting which defined the work and priorities of the Committee and (b) the December 29, 2020, and January 8, 2021, Committee meetings which reviewed select legislative issues, including the state hospital project. Members revisited the charge of the Legislative Committee, including (1) identifying prospective legislative initiatives aligned with the purpose of the BHPC; (2) monitoring legislative initiatives through the legislative process; (3) coordinating communications with BHPC members and facilitating effective BHPC input throughout the process; (4) soliciting the active participation of BHPC members; (5) drafting legislation that might advance the aims of the BHPC and the state's behavioral health strategic plan; and (6) empowering the BHPC Legislative Council, with full participation of the BHPC Executive Committee, to transact legislative activities that support the aims of the BHPC.

**Approval of Agenda.** Mr. Gallagher reviewed the meeting <u>Agenda</u>. Members expressed satisfaction with the agenda and Mr. Gallagher recorded the committee's approval of the agenda.

**Approval of Minutes.** Mr. Gallagher reviewed the meeting minutes from the January 22, 2021, meeting of the BHPC Legislative Committee. Members expressed satisfaction with the January 22, 2021 meeting minutes. Mr. Gallagher recorded the committee's approval of the minutes.

Review of Legislative Calendar, January 25-29, 2021 Review of Legislative Calendar, February 1-5, 2021 Review of Department of Human Services Executive Budget, HB 1012

**Legislative Summary GRID**. Greg Gallagher presented the updated draft of the <u>Legislative Summary GRID</u> prepared by the Protection and Advocacy Project. Mr. Gallagher invited members to intersperse reports and comments on legislative matters transacted during the week, January 25-29, 2021, and anticipated legislative activity during the week, February 1-5, 2021. Members identified an interest to focus attention primarily on HB 1012, the DHS Executive Budget.

Teresa Larsen reported that she has provided Representative Jon Nelson copies of the legislative narratives compiled by the staff of the Protection and Advocacy Project. Rep. Nelson has asked Pam Sagness, DHS, to provide a thorough accounting of the anticipated impacts of implementing Medicaid 1915(i) on current state-funded programs. Ms. Larsen referred committee members to the Legislative Summary GRID, outlining the February 1-5, 2021, House Appropriation Division's activity, specifically the requested opportunity for the Division to meet with DHS Department Directors regarding specific budget initiatives.

#### HB 1012 – House Appropriations/HRD:

Monday – Feb. 1	9:00 Committee work
	10:00 Committee work; DHS Q&A by Division
Tuesday – Feb. 2	2:45 Committee work; SUD voucher presentation; 1915(i)
	presentation
Wednesday – Feb. 3	8:30 Committee work; DD payment system; Free Through Recovery
	2:45 Committee work; IMD information presentation; housing
Thursday – Feb. 4	8:30 Committee work; Bill/amendments review and approval
	2:45 Committee work; Bill/amendments review and approval
Friday – Feb. 5 1	0:30 Committee work; Bill/amendments review and approval

Members expressed concerns that the DHS is evidencing a strategy of replacing state-funded programs with federal-funded programs, further eroding the state's contribution to behavioral health programming, contrary to the expressed recommendations of the BHPC. Members noted the number of public comments that spoke in opposition to HB 1012, indicating a consistent theme of state versus federal funding shifts and associated policy impacts.

Members entertained the prospect of the BHPC Legislative Committee drafting and submitting supplemental testimony to the House Appropriations Committee – Human Resources Division following the HRD's conversations with the DHS Department Directors. Members deferred further discussions on HB 1012 until the next committee meeting.

Members requested that the <u>BHPC testimony on HB 1012</u> be affixed to the meeting minutes as part of the BHPC Legislative Committee's public record.

Members requested that the <u>BHPC testimony on HB 1089</u>, regarding aversive therapy, be affixed to the meeting minutes as part of the BHPC Legislative Committee's public record.

Members requested that the <u>BHPC testimony on HB 1318</u>, regarding seclusion and restraint, be affixed to the meeting minutes as part of the BHPC Legislative Committee's public record.

**HB 1038, Legacy Fund Allocations**. Teresa Larsen remarked that <u>HB 1038</u>, regarding the management of state Legacy Fund distributions, is currently being reviewed. Members expressed support for providing comments on the possible use of Legacy Funds to support the health and welfare of its citizens, especially predicated on workforce development, a provision specified in the bill. Members deferred further discussion on this bill to a later meeting.

**Adjournment.** Greg Gallagher adjourned the meeting following a disruption of the committee's proceedings, without the completion of the full agenda. The meeting adjourned at 11:36 PM, CT.

Next BHPC Legislative Committee Meeting: Friday, February 5, 2021, at 11:00 AM, CT.

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Gallagher Facilitator Deputy Director, The Consensus Council

### **APPENDIX A**

## **BHPC Legislative Committee Meeting**

January 29, 2021

Agenda

#### Behavioral Health Planning Council Legislative Committee Video Conference Meeting\*

Friday, January 29, 2021 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM, CT

#### **Agenda**

11:00 AM Welcome and Call to Order: Brenda Bergsrud, Chairperson

Roll Call of BHPC Legislative Committee Members via Electronic Sign-in

Approval of January 22, 2021, Meeting Minutes Approval of January 29, 2021, Meeting Agenda

Review of BHPC Legislative Committee Charge: Greg Gallagher, Facilitator

Review of Legislative Calendar, January 25-29, 2021

Review of Legislative Calendar, February 1-5, 2021

Consideration of Department of Human Services Executive Budget

Consideration of Select Bills

11:45 AM Public Comments

11:55 PM Review of Action Steps

12:00 PM Adjourn

Next Meeting: TBD, Pending Legislative Committee Action

Members and the interested individuals can join the Council's proceedings, via computer or phone connection at the following address or phone numbers:

#### \*Video Conference Link:

**Topic: BHPC Legislative Committee** 

Time: Jan 29, 2021 11:00 AM Central Time

**Join Zoom Meeting** 

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#### **APPENDIX B**

**Legislative Bill Summary** 

January 28, 2021



## 2021 DISABILITIES-RELATED LEGISLATION

## 1.28.21

HOUSE	DESCRIPTION	HOUSE	HOUSE	COMM	HOUSE	SENATE	SENATE	COMM	SENATE
BILLS		COMM	HEARING	ACTION	ACTION	COMM	HEARING	ACTION	ACTION
<u>HB 1007</u>	\$: DOL & HR	App/GO	1/8 @ 9:00						
<u>HB 1012</u>	\$: DHS	App/HRD	See last page of GRID						
HB 1013	\$: DPI	App/EE	1/13, 1/14						
HB 1014	\$: P&A	Approp HRD	1/8/21 9:00						
HB 1015	\$: OMB (includes guar. grants)	App/GO	1/13 @ 8:30						
HB 1027 FN H markup	School district transp. aid payments (includes spec. ed.)	Education	1/6 @ 9:45	Do pass w/ amen 11-2-1					
HB 1030	\$ for State Capitol improvements for accessibility	<u>GVA</u> Approp	<u>1/7 @ 1:30</u>	<u>Do pass 14-0</u>					
HB 1032	Rx drug cost transparency	HS	1/6 @ 1:30						
HB 1033	Prescribing of biosimilar drugs	HS	1/6 @ 10:45						
HB 1034 H markup	Prelim. trtmt. & invol. trtmt. hearings; CD to SUD language	Judiciary	1/13 @ 9:00	Do pass w/ amen 12-1-1	PASSED 90-1				
HB 1035 FN	Revisions to Juvenile Court Act	Judiciary	1/26 @ 9:00						
HB 1036 H markup	Consider studying juvenile justice process	Judiciary	1/6 @ 2:00	Do pass w/ amen 14-0	PASSED 92-0				
HB 1037 FN	Legacy earnings fund	Арр	2/2 @ 8:30						
HB 1038	Legislative management legacy funds earnings comm.	Fin & Tax	1/6 @ 9:15	Do pass 14-0	PASSED 89-0				
HB 1044	Advanced practice registered nurse licensure compact	HS	1/6 @ 9:15	Do pass 14-0	PASSED 89-0				
HB 1047	Inspection of juvenile court files & records	Judiciary	1/11 @ 9:00	Do pass 11-2-1	PASSED 91-0				

HB 1048	Requirement of a guardian to obtain a bond	Judiciary	1/11 @ 9:30	Do pass 9-5	PASSED 77-15				
HB 1049	Restrictions on visitation, communication, & interaction with the ward	Judiciary	1/11 @ 10:30	Do pass 14-0	PASSED 91-0				
HB 1052 FN	Cooperative agreements to provide services to juveniles adjudicated in tribal court	Judiciary	1/11 @ 10:00	Do pass 13-1	PASSED 89-2				
HB 1065 FN	Nursing home's operating costs	HS	1/13 @ 9:00						
HB 1066 FN	Accreditation of regional human service centers	HS	1/12 @ 9:15	Do pass 13-0-1	PASSED 93-0				
HB 1071	Medical paroles	Judiciary	1/6 @ 10:30	Do not pass 9-5	<b>'</b>	1	FAILED 19-73	1	
HB 1076	Children's Cabinet; remove sunset; options of Chair	HS	1/6 @ 10:30	Do pass 12-0- 2	PASSED 89-0 (E)				
HB 1087 FN H markup	Third-party reinsurance; study	<u>IBL</u> App	1/12 @ 1:45	Do pass w/ amend 13-1-0					
HB 1089	Seclusion, restraint, prohibition of shock treatment & aversive reinforcement conditioning	HS	1/18 @ 10	Do pass 14-0	PASSED 92-0				
HB 1090 FN	Nursing home rates	HS	1/13 @ 9:15						
HB 1091 FN H markup	Automated clearing house to facilitate payment; shelter care, foster care	HS	1/12 @ 9:00	Do pass w/ amen 14-0	PASSED 87-2				
HB 1092 FN H markup	Civil & administrative remedies to combat insurance fraud	IBL	1/12 @ 8:00	Do pass w/ amend 14-0	PASSED 93-0				
HB 1111	Study of competency-based learning initiatives	Education	1/12 @ 9	Do pass 13-0-1	PASSED 90-0				
HB 1117 H markup	Commitment procedures	Judiciary	1/13 @ 9:30	Do pass w/ amen 12-1-1	PASSED 90-1				
HB 1120	Deer hunting licenses for disabled veterans	Energy & Nat Res	1/21 @ 2:30						
HB 1124	Evidence-based alcohol & drug educ. prog. for < 21 years old	Judiciary	1/18 @ 9:30	Do pass 11-2- 1					

HB 1129 H markup	Marriage penalty credit & an income tax exclusion for Soc. Sec. benefits	<u>Fin &amp; Tax</u> Full App	<u>1/11 @ 9:30</u> 1/29 @ 10:30	Do pass w/ amen 12-2					
<u>HB 1131</u>	Credentials for specialists trained in dyslexia	Education	1/13 @ 10	Do pass 13-0- 1	PASSED 89-0				
HB 1139	Duration limits for opioid therapy & benzodiazepine	IBL	1/18 @ 8:00	Do pass 12-1-1	PASSED 64-26				
<u>HB 1150</u>	Commission on juvenile justice	Judiciary	1/26 @ 8:30	Do pass 11-1- 2					
HB 1151	telehealth & the practice of dentistry	HS	1/18 @ 2:30	Do pass 13-0- 1	PASSED 93-0				
HB 1154	Transparency in dental benefits contracting	IBL	2/3 @ 9:00						
HB 1161	Closing time for polling places	GVA	1/28 @ 8:00						
HB 1163 H markup	Needle exchange program	HS	1/18 @ 10:45	Do pass w/ amen 7-6-1					
HB 1171	Requiring a physical polling place for mail ballot elections	GVA	1/21 @ 8:30						
HB 1175	Business liability from COVID-19 liability claims; retroactive; (E)	IBL	1/27 @ 9:00						
HB 1181	Defendant's fitness to proceed	Judiciary	1/20 @ 10						
HB 1188	Services provided by special education technicians	Education	1/18 @ 2:30						
HB 1189	Provisional ballots; canvass report requirements	Political Subs							
HB 1198	Gov's authority regarding polling places in a disaster	GVA	1/21 @ 8:30						
HB 1203	Req's of health insurance policies; continuation of Medicaid Expansion	IBL	1/18 @ 8:00						
HB 1204 H markup	Limitations on req's to wear a mask at work	IBL	1/18 @ 2	Do not pass w/ amen 11-2-1			FAILED 19-74		
<u>HB 1210</u>	Study of out-of-pocket expenses incurred by teachers	Education	1/18 @ 2	Do pass 10-4	PASSED 63-26				
HB 1213	Medical marijuana (E)	HS	1/19 @ 9:45	Do pass 12-1-1					
<u>HB 1217</u>	School guidance & counseling services	Education	1/19 @ 3		WIT	HDRAWN FROM F	URTHER CONSIDE	RATION	
HB 1230	Definition of a service animal; adds miniature horse	Judiciary	1/19 @ 11:30						

HB 1237	Marriage penalty credit & income tax exclusion for social security benefits	Finance & Tax	1/19 @ 11	Do not pass 13-1					
HB 1238	Polling places	GVA	1/28 @ 8:00						
HB 1239	Scanned images of ballots; elimination of electronic voting & requiring paper ballots; electronic voting	GVA	1/29 @ 8:00						
HB 1241	DHS study re a nurse triage prog. for medical assistance	HS	1/19 @ 9:00						
HB 1243	Office of faith-based & community initiatives to establish an outreach & educ. prog. for clergy re MH	HS	1/19 @ 9:15						
HB 1247	Merging of ND Dept. of Health & ND Dept. of Human Services	HS	1/20 @ 9:30						
HB 1253	Election administration	GVA	1/28 @ 2:00						
HB 1266	Low income-housing tax credit	Political Subs							
HB 1280	Electronic voting systems	GVA	1/29 @ 8:00						
HB 1283	Establishing an ombudsman position in DOL/HR	IBL	1/18 @ 2:00	Do not pass 9-4-1	FAILED 17-74				
HB 1288	Medicaid coverage of continuous glucose monitoring devices	HS	1/20 @ 9:15						
HB 1289	Increasing residency req. to become a qualified elector to one year	GVA							
HB 1306	Legis. mgt. study of interrelationship between sudden infant death syndrome, vaccines & ASD in children	HS	1/19 @ 2:45						
HB 1312	Eliminating early mail ballot elections & in-person voting & limiting voters eligible for case absentee ballots	GVA	1/28 @ 2:00						
HB 1318	Adoption of a restraint & seclusion policy by schools	Education	1/19 @ 11						
HB 1323	Limitations on mask wearing requirements	Political Subs	2/4 @ 3:00						
HB 1326 FN	Exemption of federal coronavirus funds for SPED & basic care programs (E)	HS	1/18 @ 2:00	Do pass 14-0	PASSED 92-0 (E)				
HB 1332	Moratorium on basic care & nursing facility bed capacity	HS	1/26 @ 9:00						

HB 1341	State minimum wage rate	IBL	2/1 @ 9:00				
HB 1343	Rights of health care facility residents to use electronic communication	HS	1/26 @ 9:15				
HB 1347	Registration of in-home providers of early childhood services	HS	1/27 @ 9:00				
<u>HB 1352</u>	Liability for medical products	IBL	1/26 @ 9:00				
HB 1354	Commission on guardianship	HS	2/2 @ 9:00				
HB 1359	Medical marijuana designated caregivers	HS	1/26 @ 9:45				
HB 1360	Making scanned images of ballots available to the public; electronic voting, etc.	GVA	1/29 @ 8:00				
HB 1372	Optional property tax freeze for owners w/ disabilities or <u>&gt;</u> 65	Finance & Tax	1/27 @ 9:30				
<u>HB 1373</u>	Early voting dates	GVA	1/28 @ 8:00				
HB 1377	Immunization exemptions	HS	1/25 @ 2:45				
HB 1382	Limitations on actions alleging childhood sexual abuse	Judiciary	2/3 @ 8:30				
HB 1384	Limitations on actions alleging childhood sexual abuse	Judiciary	2/3 @ 9:15				
<u>HB 1390</u>	Training for election workers	Pol. Subs	1/29 @ 9:30				
HB 1391	Medical marijuana products	HS	1/26 @ 10:00				
HB 1398	Prohibitions on political subdivisions regulating paid family leave	Pol. Subs	2/4 @ 10:00				
<u>HB 1400</u>	Out-of-state medical marijuana cardholders, etc.	HS	1/26 @ 10:15				
HB 1402	Substance use disorder treatment voucher system	HS	1/27 @ 10:45				
HB 1405 H markup	Income tax credit for employment of individuals with DD or MI	Finance & Tax	1/27 @ 10:30	Do pass w/ amen 13-0-1			
HB 1407	Medical assistance tribal health care coordination agreements	HS	1/27 @ 10:00				
<u>HB 1415</u>	End-of-life health care decisions	HS	2/1 @ 10:15				
<u>HB 1416</u>	Early childhood education programs	HS	2/2 @ 2:45				

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	Duties of commission on juvenile						
	justice & the children's cabinet; create						
HB 1427	a juvenile justice planning comm, a	Judiciary	1/26 @ 10:30				
	planning comm. for children in need	,	2/1 @ 10:30				
	of services, & a planning comm. for						
	alternatives to juvenile detention						
	Paid family medical leave program &						
<u>HB 1441</u>	an income tax credit for contributions	IBL	2/3 @ 9:00				
	paid into the fund						
	Data collection & reporting of bias						
<u>HB 1443</u>	crimes; training on bias crimes; report	Judiciary					
	to Leg. Mgt.						
HB 1447	Higher ed. student ID cards;	GVA					
<u>110 1447</u>	acceptable forms of ID for voting	GVA					
HB 1465	Freedom of choice for health care	HS	2/3 @ 10:30				
110 1403	services	113	2/3 @ 10.30				
<u>HB 1466</u>	Early childhood education grants, etc.	HS	2/3 @ 2:45				
	Provision of pod education outside						
HB 1467	the classroom during a declared	Education	2/1 @ 3:30				
	emergency or disaster						
LID 1469	Informed consent & notice of risks	HS	1/25 @ 2,00				
<u>HB 1468</u>	associated with vaccines	пэ	1/25 @ 2:00				
LID 1470	Continuation of behavioral health care	HS					
<u>HB 1470</u>	for inmates; Legis. Mgt. study	HS					
LID 4.472	Consumer access to complementary &	LIC.	2/4 @ 2:45				
<u>HB 1472</u>	alternative health care	HS	2/1 @ 2:45				
	Alternative education opportunities						
HB 1478	outside the classroom for course	Education	2/2 @ 9:00				
	credit						
LID 4400	Creation of the truth, healing, &	LIC					
<u>HB 1488</u>	reconciliation commission	HS					
UCD 2007	Terminates the state of emergency in	LIC	1/10 0 10:22				
HCR 3007	ND declared by Gov. on 3/13/20	HS	1/19 @ 10:30				
HCD 2000	Consider studying provisions of	Education	1/10 @ 10:45	Do pass	ADORTED		 
HCR 3009	compulsory school attendance	Education	1/19 @ 10:45	14-0	ADOPTED		
HCR 3011	Consider studying FASD treatment,	LIC	1/10 @ 10:20	Do pass w/	ADOPTED		 
<u>H markup</u>	services, prevention, policies	HS	1/18 @ 10:30	amen 14-0	ADUPTED		

HCR 3013	Consider studying issues related to employment restrictions in public assistance programs	IBL	2/2 @ 2:30						
HCR 3014	Consider studying solutions to provider & end-user barriers to access to & utilization of telehealth services	HS							
HCR 3015	Consider studying feasibility & desirability of implementing a community health worker program	HS							
SENATE		SENATE	SENATE	COMM	SENATE	HOUSE	HOUSE	COMM	HOUSE
BILLS	DESCRIPTION	COMM	HEARING	ACTION	ACTION	COMM	HEARING	ACTION	ACTION
SB 2004	\$: Health Dept.	APPROP.	1/14 @ 8:30						
SB 2007	\$: Veterans' home	APPROP.	1/7 @ 8:30						
SB 2012	\$: Transportation Dept.	APPROP.	1/11 @ 8:30						
SB 2015	\$: DoCR	APPROP.	1/15 @ 8:30						
SB 2019	\$: Career & Technical Educ.	APPROP.	1/7 @ 1:30						
SB 2022	\$: Comm. on Legal Counsel for Indigents	APPROP.	1/12 @ 1:30						
SB 2025	\$: Veterans' Affairs Dept.	APPROP.	1/7 @ 9:45						
SB 2029	Hosp. & medical insurance pre- existing conditions	IBL	1/6 @ 2:30	DO NOT PASS 5-1			FAILED 7-40		
SB 2034 SMARKUP SMARKUP2	Written advisory opinions regarding ethics	JUDICIARY	1/12 @ 10:30	DO PASS W/ AMEN 7-0 AND AGAIN					
SB 2039	Membership of the brain injury advisory council	HS	1/6 @ 2:45	DO PASS 6-0	PASSED 47-0				
SB 2057	Sale of real or personal property of a ward; powers & duties of a guardian	HS	1/12 @ 10:30	DO PASS 6-0	PASSED 46-1				
SB 2083 S MARKUP	Child abuse & neglect	HS	1/20 @ 9 1/26 @ 8:30	DO PASS W/ AMEN 6-0					
SB 2084	Involuntary treatment & emergency detention	HS	1/6 @ 8:30						

SB 2085 S MARKUP S2 MARKUP	Remedial eye care, Medicaid waivers (ASD age), adva@ed practice registered nurses	HS	1/6 @ 9:15	DO PASS W/ AMEND 6-0	PASSED 47-0		
SB 2086 FN	Human service zones	HS	1/6 @ 1:00				
SB 2087	Medical Assistance prior authorization program	HS	1/6 @ 2:00	DO PASS 6-0	PASSED 47-0		
SB 2088	automated clearing house to facilitate payment to adoptive parents	HS	1/6 @ 11:15	DO PASS 6-0	PASSED 47-0		
SB 2089	Financing of welfare programs & housing stabilizations support & rental assistance; repeal of ASD voucher prog.	HS	1/12 @ 10:00				
SB 2122 SMARKUP	PT's ordering musculoskeletal medical imaging; scope of practice	HS	1/13 @ 10:00	DO PASS W/ AMEN 5-1	PASSED 46-1		
SB 2125	Student loan repayment program: licensed behavioral analyst	HS	1/12 @ 9:30	DO PASS 5-0-1	PASSED 47-0		
SB 2127	Housing incentive fund	<u>IBL</u> APPROP	1/13 @ 2:00 1/29 @ 10:00	DO PASS <u>6-0</u>			
SB 2128 S MARKUP	Hyperbaric oxygen therapy	HS	1/25 @ 2:30	DO PASS W/ AMEN 5-1-0			
<u>SB 2130</u> <u>S MARKUP</u>	Cost-benefit analysis for mandated health insurance coverage measures	HS	1/19 @ 9:30	DO PASS W/ AMEN 5-0-1			
SB 2131 S MARKUP	Children's advocacy centers – criminal history record checks	HS	1/20 @ 11	DO PASS W/ AMEN 5-0-1	PASSED 38-9 (E)		
SB 2133	Services provided by paramedics, EMT's, and emergency medical tech's	HS	1/19 @ 11				
SB 2134 S MARKUP	Duties of P&A	HS	1/18 @ 11:30	DO PASS 5-1			
SB 2135	DHS report to Legis. Mgt. re department quality	HS	1/19 @ 2:30	DO PASS 5-0-1	PASSED 47-0		
<u>SB 2142</u> <u>S MARKUP</u>	Processing absentee ballots	GVA	1/21 @ 9	DO PASS W/ AMEN 7-0	PASSED 47-0		

SB 2145	Access to LTC facilities in case of a declaration of disaster or emergency	HS	1/18 @ 9				
SB 2146	\$ to OMB for Capitol grounds accessibility	GVA	1/21 @ 10				
SB 2148 S MARKUP	Defining health care provider to include a physical therapist	HS	1/18 @ 10:30	DO PASS W/ AMEN 5-0-1	PASSED 47-0		
SB 2160	Application process for an absent voter's ballot	GVA	1/22 @ 10	DO NOT PASS 7-0			
SB 2161	MH provider registry & behavioral health bed management system	HS	1/18 @ 2:30				
<u>SB 2170</u>	Prescription drug costs	HS	1/27 @ 9:00				
SB 2176	\$ for a distance learning family reimbursement program (E)	EDUC	1/20 @ 9				
SB 2179	Health insurance coverage for telehealth	HS	1/20 @ 2:30				
SB 2180	Child abuse, neglect mandatory reporting	HS					
SB 2183	Accident & health insurance coverage of diabetes drugs & supplies	HS	1/19 @ 9				
SB 2193	Prohibits Gov. from suspending or amending election laws	JUDICIARY	1/20 @ 9	DO NOT PASS 6-1		FAILED 5-42	
SB 2199	Interstate contracts for the treatment of mental illness or substance use disorders	HS	1/25 @ 9:45	DO PASS 5- 0-1	PASSED 47-0		
SB 2205	Medical assistance coverage of interpreter services	<u>HS</u> SEN APP	<u>1/25 @ 9:30</u> 2/2 @ 8:30				
SB 2209	Increased access to low-cost prescription drugs	HS	1/27 @ 10:00				
SB 2212	Increased access to low-cost prescription drugs	HS	1/27 @ 9:30				
SB 2213	Property tax credit for disabled veterans	FINANCE & TAX	1/27 @ 9:30				
SB 2222	Requirements of health insurance policies; continuation of Medicaid Expansion	IBL	1/26 @ 10:15	DO NOT PASS 5-1			
SB 2224	Medical assistance coverage of metabolic supplements	HS	1/25 @ 9:00				

CD 222C	Licensure of residential hospice	HC	2/4 0 2/45				
SB 2226	facilities & programs	HS	2/1 @ 2:15				
SB 2234	Growing medical marijuana; allowable amounts of usable medical marijuana	JUDICIARY	1/26 @ 10:00	DO NOT PASS 7-0		FAILED 4-42	
<u>SB 2235</u>	Creation of school nurse grant program	EDUCATION	1/27 @ 9:00				
SB 2246	Drug court & creation of a veterans' treatment docket	JUDICIARY	1/25 @ 2:30	DO PASS 7-0	PASSED 40-6		
SB 2248 S MARKUP	Administration of epinephrine	HS	1/25 @ 10:45	DO PASS W/ AMEN 5-0-1	PASSED 46-0		
SB 2256	Legis. Mgt. study of ND's HCBS waiver for individuals with ID/DD	HS	1/26 @ 10:30				
SB 2265	Allowing unaccompanied homeless minors to access health care without parental consent	HS	1/26 @ 10:15	DO PASS 5-1			
SB 2269	School district payments to postsecondary transitional programs for students on IEP's	EDUCATION	1/26 @ 9:00				
<u>SB 2274</u>	Scope of practice of a naturopath	HS	2/1 @ 9:00				
SB 2275	\$ for DHS for a director for the task force on prevention of sexual abuse of children	HS	2/2/@ 9:00				
SB 2279	Permitting pharmacy technician to admin. drugs under the authority of the pharmacist	HS	2/1 @ 9:45				
<u>SB 2284</u>	Admin. of pediatric medical marijuana	HS					
SB 2303	Tribal health units	HS					
SB 2305	Creation of the truth, healing, & reconciliation commission		2/4 @ 2:15				
SB 2311	Mental health & suicide prevention instruction for students in grades 7 - 12	HS					
<u>SB 2331</u>	Election of the state health officer & human services commissioner	GVA	2/5 @ 9:00				
<u>SB 2334</u>	Licensure of extended stay centers	IBL	2/1 @ 9:00				
SB 2335	Licensure of prof. counselors designated supervised	HS	2/1 @ 10:15				

<u>SB 2340</u>	Termination of parental rights	JUDICIARY	2/3 @ 9:00			
<u>SB 2343</u>	Medical Assistance dental benefits	HS	2/3 @ 9:00			

Shaded bills = committee hearing is scheduled for the coming week

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#### **APPENDIX C**

Behavioral Health Planning Council
Testimony on HB 1012
Before the House Appropriations Committee –
Human Resources Division

January 25, 2021

#### **HB 1012**

#### **TESTIMONY of the ND Behavioral Health Planning Council**

January 25, 2021

Chairman Nelson and members of the committee, I am Brenda Bergsrud, Chair of the Behavioral Health Planning Council. The Council is a federally mandated state-level advisory body responsible for providing counsel to the ND Department of Human Services regarding the provision of behavioral health services to the citizens of North Dakota. The Council is made up of 30 diverse members including consumers, family members and other stakeholders. I wish to provide this testimony, on behalf of the Council, regarding certain core behavioral health issues facing our state today.

**Secure Responsible State Funding Levels**. As a council we request that the Committee sufficiently fund the state's behavioral health programming efforts to protect long-fought-for gains across critical service areas. Mindful of the state's current financial standing and human needs, the Council encourages the Committee to minimally sustain current funding levels across the state's vital programs, where the needs are clearly evidenced.

**Continue and Protect Programs**. Programs in place need to continue. We also welcome the inclusion of Medicaid 1915(i) programming as a long-sought supplement to crucial care for individuals eligible within Medicaid. Yet, we must resist any short-term satisfaction with adding federal programs and funding at the expense of reducing or weakening other state funded programs that are accessible to all state citizens. The welfare of our state's citizens is too important to reduce state-level funding for core services.

**Continue Medicaid Expansion and Remove Its Sunset Clause.** The council supports the continuation of the state's Medicaid Expansion program. The council further recommends that the Committee remove the program's current sunset clause. What the state's citizens deserve is a Medicaid Expansion program that is secure and dependable.

**Balance Behavioral Health Program Funding.** The council requests that the Committee secure a proper balance between substance use and mental health programming and funding, establishing a programmatic and budgetary equity that supports both areas and prevents any redistribution of funds that might introduce disparity. The state must commit to structure and fund both mental health and substance use programs that address the complex, real, and overlapping needs within each domain.

Optimize the State's Behavioral Health Strategic Efforts. The council recognizes the need to optimize both state and federal funding to support our state's behavioral health system. Securing federal and state funds in a manner that offers the best benefit to the most people is demanding work. The council is mindful of this work and dedicates itself to counseling the Department of Human Services regarding this work. We trust you will consider our counsel in this regard. The state's behavioral health community, including all its stakeholders, have collaborated across a number of years to develop the state's current behavioral health strategic plan. This plan articulates what a balanced statewide behavioral health system should look like. What this plan identifies captures some of the best thinking of where we as a state

and how we might best invest our time, money, and effort. The Council encourages the Committee to build a budget that supports the implementation of this plan, including optimizing our federal and state funding. As you move forward with your discussions in building a responsible budget, we ask that you minimally sustain the contribution of state funds to support the state's behavioral health strategic plan, which lays forth a responsible, measured means of meeting the behavioral health needs of our citizens, now and into the future.

The council appreciates this opportunity to present these comments regarding HB 1012. The council also extends an offer to provide any assistance and additional information that might aid the Committee in its deliberations.

Thank you for your kind consideration of our comments.

#### **APPENDIX D**

## Behavioral Health Planning Council Testimony on HB 1089

January 15, 2021

# HB 1089 House Human Services Committee Testimony of the ND Behavioral Health Planning Council January 18, 2021

Chair Weisz and members of the Committee, I'm Brenda
Bergsrud, Chair of the Behavioral Health Planning Council. The
Council is a federally mandated body operating out of the ND
Department of Human Services/Behavioral Health Division. The
Council is made up of 30 diverse members including consumers,
family members, and other stakeholders.

The Council supports HB 1089. In particular, the Council believes that patients and residents should be free from aversive reinforcement conditioning; that this should not be an option, or available tool from the toolbox, for treatment or care regardless of consent from the individual or his/her guardian. Aversive reinforcement conditioning subjects the individual to a stimulus, usually uncomfortable and sometimes harmful, when he/she exhibits a particular behavior. It is an archaic.

Please support HB 1089. Thank you.

#### **APPENDIX E**

## Behavioral Health Planning Council Testimony on HB 1318

January 15, 2021

## HB 1318 House Education Committee January 19, 2021

Chair Owens and members of the Committee, I am Brenda Bergsrud, Chair of the Behavioral Health Planning Council. The Council is mandated by the federal government and operates out of the Department of Human Services/Behavioral Health Division. There are 30 members which consist of consumers, family members, and other stakeholders.

The Council supports HB 1318 which would require each school district in ND to have a written policy that prohibits the use of chemical and mechanical restraint as well as seclusion. It further proposes regulation on the use of physical restraints to make sure it is used only when it is absolutely necessary, that being when there is a threat of imminent danger to the student or others and after other less intrusive methods have been tried in a safe way.

North Dakota is one of a few states that does not have any legislation related to seclusion and restraint. This legislation would ensure that every school in the State enacts a written policy with consistent requirements, including one that requires districts to provide training and support for school personnel to give them behavior management tools which will hopefully reduce the need for using seclusion or restraint in the first place. This is important for everyone who works at or attends school. It will especially have an impact on students with disabilities, who are much likelier to find them selves in situations where they are restrained or secluded due to behavioral issues related to their disabilities.

Thank you for reviewing the Council's position on this significant matter.

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