COMMITTEE HOUSE RESOLUTIONS FROM THE 2023 – 2024 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

House Resolution 50 (*Rep. Pat Gallagher*)

Designating the month of April 2023 as "Autism Acceptance Month" in Pennsylvania

House Resolution 50 was adopted on May 3, 2023 (21 YEA – 0 NAY)

House Resolution 166 (Rep. Joseph Hogan)

Designating July 2023 as "Disability Pride Month" in Pennsylvania

House Resolution 166 was reported as committed on June 28, 2023 (21 YEA – 0 NAY)

House Resolution 137 (Chairman Stephen Kinsey)

Designating October 2023 as Bullying Prevention Awareness Month

House Resolution 137 was reported as committed on September 26, 2023 (25 YEA – 0 NAY)

House Resolution 180 (*Rep. Emily Kinkead*)

Recognizing the Month of September 2023 as "Hunger Action Month"

House Resolution 180 was reported as committed on September 26, 2023 (25 YEA – 0 NAY)

House Resolution 180 was adopted in the House chamber on September 27, 2023 (201 YEA – 1 NAY)

House Resolution 188 (Chairman Stephen Kinsey)

Designating September 10th to September 16th as "Direct Support Professionals Week" in Pennsylvania

House Resolution 188 was reported as committed on September 26, 2023 (25 YEA – 0 NAY)

House Resolution 193 (Rep. Jennifer O'Mara)

Recognizing "National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month" and "World Suicide Prevention Day"

House Resolution 193 was reported as committed on September 26, 2023 (25 YEA – 0 NAY)

House Resolution 193 was adopted in the House chamber on September 27, 2023 (201 YEA – 1 NAY)

Pennsylvania House Human Services Committee 2023 Past-Recognized Awareness Months

April 2023

• Autism Acceptance Month – House Resolution 50

July 2023

• Disability Pride Month – House Resolution 166

September 2023

- Hunger Action Month House Resolution 180
- Direct Support Professionals Week (September 10th 16th) House Resolution 188
- National Recovery Month House Resolution 205
- National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month House Resolution 193
- World Suicide Prevention Day (September 10th) House Resolution 193

HUMAN SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEES

Subcommittee on Drugs & Alcohol

- Majority Chairman: Rep. Dan K. Williams
- Democratic Members: Rep. Jessica Benham, Jose Giral, Ismail Smith-Wade-El
- Minority Chairman: Rep. Craig Williams
- Republican Member: Rep. Jim Gregory

Subcommittee on Mental Health

- Majority Chairwoman: Rep. Maureen E. Madden
- Democratic Members: Rep. Roni G. Green, Tarik Khan, Danielle Friel Otten
- Minority Chairman: Rep. James B. Struzzi II
- Republican Member: Rep. Jamie L. Flick



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State Representative Stephen Kinsey, Majority Chairman

Imogen Wright, Majority Executive Director

State Representative Doyle Heffley, Minority Chairman

Annmarie Robey, Minority Executive Director

HOUSE HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE VOTING MEETINGS

The Human Services Committee hosted its first voting meeting of the current legislative session on Wednesday, April 26, 2023. The Committee members met to consider two bills and one resolution.

House Bill 409, sponsored by Rep. Galloway, would establish a mental health care services clearinghouse.

House Bill 754, sponsored by Rep. Bonner, would provide a notice to nursing home residents that they have a right to hire an attorney to assist with a Medical Assistance application.

House Resolution 50, designating April 2023 as Autism Acceptance Month in Pennsylvania.

Since the first committee voting meeting, the Human Services Committee has voted out 13 bills and 7 resolutions for full consideration on the House floor. With 6 bills that were passed on the House floor and now waiting for consideration in the Senate Health and Human Services Committee.

Warm Welcome to New Human Services Committee Members

During the 2023 – 2024 Legislative Session the members below were added to the Human Services Committee:

- State Representative Arvid Venkat, 30th Legislative District (D)
- State Representative La'Tasha D. Mayes, 24th Legislative District (D)
- State Representative Kathleen C. Tomlinson, 18th Legislative District (R)
- State Representative Shelby Labs, 143rd Legislative District (R)

COMMITTEE HOUSE BILLS DURING THE 2023 – 2024 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

House Bill 754 (*Rep. Timothy Bonner*)

Notifying nursing home residents of their right to hire an attorney to assist with a Medical Assistance application.

House Bill 754 was re-referred to the House Health Committee on April 26, 2023. (21 YEA – 0 NAY)

House Bill 754 was reported as committed on June 6, 2023. (21 YEA – 0 NAY)

House Bill 754 received first consideration in the House chamber on June 6, 2023.

House Bill 754 was re-committed to the House Rules Committee on June 6, 2023.

House Bill 409 (Rep. John Galloway)

Establishing a mental health care services clearinghouse.

House Bill 409 was reported as committed on April 26, 2023. (21 YEA – 0 NAY)

House Bill 409 received third consideration and final passage on May 23, 2023. (155 YEA – 46 NAY)

House Bill 409 was referred to the Senate Health and Human Services Committee for consideration.

House Bill 850 (Rep. Darisha Parker)

Requiring the Department of Human Services to apply for federal waiver for the WIC and SNAP programs, when available, to authorize the purchase of menstrual products and diapers.

House Bill 850 was reported as amended on June 22, 2023. (20 YEA – 1 NAY)

House Bill 850 received third consideration and final passage on June 28, 2023. (131 YEA – 72 NAY)

House Bill 850 was referred to the Senate Health and Human Services Committee for consideration.

House Bill 1104 (*Rep. Tarik Khan*)

Prohibiting the charging of admission fees for events for personal care attendants of persons with disabilities.

House Bill 1104 was re-referred to the House Tourism and Economic and Recreational Development Committee on June 22, 2023.

House Bill 1218 (Rep. Melissa Cerrato)

Providing for payments for spousal personal care services.

House Bill 1218 was reported as amended on June 28, 2023. (12 YEA – 9 NAY)

House Bill 1218 received third consideration and final passage on July 17, 2023. (109 YEA – 94 NAY)

House Bill 1218 was referred to the Senate Health and Human Services Committee for consideration.

House Bill 1515 (*Rep. Maureen Madden*)

Helping county jails establish and expand medication treatments for opioid use disorder programs.

House Bill 1515 was reported as amended on June 28, 2023. (20 YEA - 1 NAY)

House Bill 1515 received third consideration and final passage on July 7, 2023. (199 YEA – 4 NAY)

House Bill 1515 was referred to the Senate Health and Human Services Committee for consideration.

House Bill 876 (Rep. Mike Cabell)

Requiring Medicaid providers to have a National Provider Identification or State Provider Identification Number.

House Bill 876 was reported as committed on June 5, 2023. (20 YEA – 1 NAY)

House Bill 1305 (Chairman Stephen Kinsey)

Establishing the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline Fund.

House Bill 1305 was reported as committed on June 7, 2023. (14 YEA – 7 NAY)

House Bill 1305 received third consideration and final passage on June 14, 2023. (113 YEA – 90 NAY)

House Bill 1305 was referred to the Senate Health and Human Services Committee for consideration.

House Bill 849 (*Rep. Michael Schlossberg*)

Allocating \$100 million of American Rescue Plan Act funding for adult mental health programs as recommended by the Behavioral Health Commission for Adult Mental Health.

House Bill 849 was reported as amended on May 23, 2023. (21 YEA – 0 NAY)

House Bill 849 received second consideration with amendments on June 6, 2023. (200 YEA – 3 NAY)

House Bill 849 received third consideration and final passage on June 7, 2023. (173 YEA – 30 NAY)

House Bill 849 was referred to the Senate Health and Human Services Committee for consideration.

House Bill 1650 (Rep. Jim Gregory)

Establishing the Lifetime Recovery form Substance Abuse Grant Program.

House Bill 1650 was reported as amended on November 13, 2023. (25 YEA – 0 NAY)

House Bill 1690 (Rep. Kristin Marcell)

Establishing a Public Awareness Campaign to Warn of the Growing Illicit Use of Xylazine.

House Bill 1609 was reported as amended on November 13, 2023. (25 YEA – 0 NAY)

