# MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS SUBCOMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

## AND THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

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A joint meeting of the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means' Subcommittee on Human Services and the Senate Committee on Finance's Subcommittee on Human Services was called to order by Chair Maggie Carlton at 8:36 a.m. on Friday, April 26, 2013, in Room 3137 of the Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada. Copies of the minutes, including the Agenda (Exhibit A), the Attendance Roster (Exhibit B), and other substantive exhibits, are available and on file in the Research Library of the Legislative Counsel Bureau and on the Nevada Legislature's website nelis.leg.state.nv.us/77th2013. In addition, copies of the audio record may be purchased through the Legislative Counsel Bureau's Publications Office (email: publications@lcb.state.nv.us; telephone: 775-684-6835).

### **ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Assemblywoman Maggie Carlton, Chair Assemblyman Michael Sprinkle, Vice Chair Assemblyman David P. Bobzien Assemblyman John Hambrick Assemblyman Pat Hickey Assemblyman William C. Horne Assemblywoman Marilyn K. Kirkpatrick Assemblyman Randy Kirner

### SENATE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Debbie Smith, Chair Senator Ben Kieckhefer Senator David R. Parks



### **STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Michael J. Chapman, Principal Deputy Fiscal Analyst Alex Haartz, Principal Deputy Fiscal Analyst Laura Freed, Senior Program Analyst Brody Leiser, Program Analyst Carol Thomsen, Committee Secretary Cynthia Wyett, Committee Assistant

Chair Carlton stated that the Subcommittees would consider budget accounts for the Health Division, Department of Health and Human Services.

Brody Leiser, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), stated that in the interest of time, he would point out technical adjustments that had been made by staff and/or budget amendments that had been submitted in each budget account and those could be considered in block format for approval.

Chair Carlton concurred and instructed members to request clarification, when necessary, as the budget closings were presented.

HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH
RADIATION CONTROL (101-3101)
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH-12

Brody Leiser, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), stated that there were no major closing issues in budget account (BA) 3101.

Mr. Leiser noted that technical adjustments had been made by Fiscal Analysis Division staff as depicted on page 3 of <a href="Exhibit C">Exhibit C</a>, "Joint Subcommittee on Human Services, Closing List #4, April 26, 2013." A technical adjustment was made in decision unit Enhancement (E) 350 to remove the insurance costs in fiscal year (FY) 2015 that were associated with the two agency-owned vehicles that would be excessed. Additionally, a technical adjustment was made in decision unit E-710 to move laptop purchases from FY 2014 to FY 2015 because of the suggested five-year replacement schedule.

The decision, said Mr. Leiser, was whether the Subcommittee wished to approve the Radiation Control budget account as recommended by the Governor, with approval of the technical adjustments made by Fiscal Analysis Division staff, and to authorize staff to make any additional technical adjustments as necessary.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN HAMBRICK MOVED TO APPROVE BUDGET ACCOUNT 3101 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR, INCLUDING TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS MADE BY FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF, AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE ANY ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Senator Kieckhefer and Assemblyman Horne were not present for the vote.)

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HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH
LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE FUND (251-3152)
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH-19

Brody Leiser, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), noted that Fiscal Analysis Division staff was responsible for developing recommendations for budget account (BA) 3152, and the Subcommittees had not previously reviewed the budget account.

Mr. Leiser stated that a technical adjustment had been made in the base budget, which adjusted the amount transferred from BA 3152 to the Radiation Control budget account, BA 3101, to make the amount transferred out of BA 3152 equivalent to the amount of revenue that was received in BA 3101. The technical adjustment was for the purpose of synching up the amounts of revenue transferred and received in the two budget accounts.

The decision, said Mr. Leiser, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Fund budget account as recommended by the Governor, including the technical adjustment made to the base budget, and to authorize Fiscal Analysis Division staff to make any additional technical adjustments as necessary.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN KIRNER MOVED TO APPROVE BUDGET ACCOUNT 3152 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR, INCLUDING THE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENT MADE BY FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF, AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE ANY ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

SENATOR SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Senator Kieckhefer and Assemblyman Horne were not present for the vote.)

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HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH
IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM (101-3213)
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH-43

Brody Leiser, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), stated that there were three major closing issues in budget account (BA) 3213.

The first issue was decision unit Enhancement (E) 277. The Governor recommended a General Fund appropriation of \$500,000 in each fiscal year of the upcoming biennium to provide the pertussis vaccine to mothers, fathers, and close family members immediately after the birth of a child. The method was referred to as "cocooning." At the budget hearing of February 26, 2013, the Health Division testified that an unintended consequence of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) disallowed the use of federal funding to provide the vaccine to nonpatients of the hospital during a birth: only the mother and child were

considered patients. Nonpatients would include the father and other close family members.

Per Mr. Leiser, the Health Division also testified at the aforementioned budget hearing that the transplacental transfer and benefits to the child from immunizing the mother during late pregnancy had not been proven, and therefore, cocooning was the preferred method to protect the child. The Division also testified that pertussis would be an ongoing concern as new strains of the disease were beginning to develop. Therefore, the Division recommended vaccinating all adults who were around children, even if those adults had previously received a pertussis vaccine.

Mr. Leiser indicated that the Governor's recommendation would allow the state to purchase approximately 18,600 doses of the Tdap [Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis] vaccine, in addition to the 21,000 doses that would be purchased annually with federal funds. The Governor's recommendation would allow for every mother, father, and close family member to be offered the opportunity to receive the vaccine.

The decision, said Mr. Leiser, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve the annual General Fund appropriation of \$500,000, as recommended by the Governor, to make additional pertussis vaccinations available for the immunization of family members and close contacts of newborns.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER MOVED TO APPROVE THE \$500,000 GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION IN EACH YEAR OF THE 2013-2015 BIENNIUM IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3213 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR IN DECISION UNIT E-277.

ASSEMBLYMAN BOBZIEN SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Horne was not present for the vote.)

Mr. Leiser stated that the second issue was decision unit E-225. The Governor recommended the addition of three new positions, including two program officer 1 positions and one business process analyst 3 position. The total cost

over the 2013-2015 biennium would be \$311,668, with an additional \$23,682 in indirect charges. The recommendation would be funded with a reduction in immunization services category expenditures because the contract positions would no longer be needed.

Per Mr. Leiser, the positions were recommended to meet the Immunization Information System requirements pursuant to *Nevada Revised Statutes* (NRS) 439.265 and the standards mandated by the State Board of Health and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). The program officer positions would be responsible for providing training to healthcare providers about how to use and input data into the Nevada WebIZ registry. The positions would also be responsible for development of the training presentation and manual, performing the training, and marketing and promoting the system to providers throughout southern Nevada.

Mr. Leiser stated that CDC standards mandated that providers had the capacity to electronically send required information on administered vaccines to the immunization registry. The business process analyst 3 position would be responsible for facilitating that requirement and performing quality testing of new provider data before allowing the provider to transmit information to the registry.

Mr. Leiser noted that the recommended workload for the new positions was currently being performed by contract staff. The Health Division indicated that the workload would be ongoing, and therefore, the recommendation would be to replace contract staff with permanent state staff.

The decision, said Mr. Leiser, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve the business process analyst 3 position and two program officer 1 positions in budget account (BA) 3213 and to authorize Fiscal Analysis Division staff to make any necessary technical adjustments.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE THE BUSINESS PROCESS ANALYST 3 POSITION AND TWO PROGRAM OFFICER 1 POSITIONS IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3213 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR IN DECISION UNIT E-225 AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE ANY NECESSARY TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS.

SENATOR SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Horne was not present for the vote.)

Mr. Leiser stated the third issue was the receipt of tobacco fund transfers as depicted in budget amendment A13A0017, which was received by the Fiscal Analysis Division on March 27, 2013. The recommendation was for BA 3213 to receive \$500,000 in existing tobacco settlement funds in each fiscal year of the 2013-2015 biennium to support two components of the Immunization – Healthy Nevada Program. Mr. Leiser said the first component was for public outreach and the second component would support compliance with requirements that children who attended licensed child care centers had to be up to date with vaccinations. The ultimate goal of the budget amendment was to improve immunization rates for children under the age of three.

Mr. Leiser explained that the public outreach component would use \$191,000 of the recommended \$500,000 annually and would include a statewide postcard reminder/recall project targeted to increase immunization rates for children. Additionally, the component would include a mobile information service designed to promote healthy mothers, pregnancies, and babies, known as "Text4baby." That program would send periodic text messages to pregnant women and new mothers. The component would also fund an informational packet designed for parents with newborns known as Protect and Immunize Nevada's Kids (PINK). The informational packet would provide information on newborn vaccinations, health tips, and safety materials and would be available at all hospitals to all parents.

The second component, said Mr. Leiser, would support compliance for children who attended licensed child care centers to be up to date on vaccinations and would include research of the existing gaps in compliance with immunization requirements in the child care setting. The component would provide education regarding immunization requirements and information about the immunization

schedules at child care centers. The component would also subgrant funds to Southern Nevada Health District to support its immunization program, conduct assessments at child care facilities, and record the vaccination histories of the children in the Nevada WeblZ. Additionally, said Mr. Leiser, the component would create a toolkit for county and state inspection staff to assess immunization rates. The second component of the budget amendment would be funded with \$309,000 of the recommended \$500,000 annually.

The decision, said Mr. Leiser, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve budget amendment A13A0017, which authorized BA 3213 to receive \$500,000 in each fiscal year of the 2013-2015 biennium for the purpose of supporting the Immunization – Healthy Nevada Program in an effort to increase immunization rates, and to authorize staff to make any necessary technical adjustments.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were questions from the members of the Subcommittees.

Senator Smith referenced the subgrant to the Southern Nevada Health District, and she asked whether there would be assessments conducted at child care facilities in the remaining areas of the state.

Mr. Leiser said it was his understanding that the target area for the assessments at child care facilities was in southern Nevada, because that was where the vast majority of child care facilities were located.

Senator Kieckhefer asked whether the \$1 million in tobacco settlement funds was from reserves or was in addition to the amount anticipated in new receipts.

Mr. Leiser stated the \$500,000 annually would be from existing tobacco settlement funds that had been received, rather than additional funds beyond what the state was guaranteed to receive. The funds were previously transferred directly to the Fund for a Healthy Nevada, and the budget amendment would instead direct the funds to the immunization program.

Senator Kieckhefer asked whether the funds had been previously allocated for a different purpose. Mr. Leiser replied that tobacco settlement funds had been used in the past for the purpose of immunization efforts, and the budget amendment would continue using the tobacco settlement funds for that purpose.

Senator Kieckhefer noted that \$1 million in tobacco settlement funds was being added to The Executive Budget through the budget amendment, and he asked whether those additional funds would be from the reserve category or from a different program within The Executive Budget.

Mr. Leiser explained that the funds would have been transferred to the Fund for a Healthy Nevada, but the budget amendment would transfer those funds to the immunization program.

Senator Kieckhefer said the funds were already allocated in <u>The Executive</u> <u>Budget</u> to the Healthy Nevada Program for other uses and would now be used to fund the immunization program. Mr. Leiser stated that was correct.

Laura Freed, Senior Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, LCB, said it appeared that Senator Kieckhefer was asking whether the funds were originally part of the tobacco settlement spending plan that was mandated through the Director's Office of the Department of Health and Human Services, and she explained that the funds were part of that plan.

Senator Kieckhefer thanked Ms. Freed for her explanation.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were additional questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER MOVED TO APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT A13A0017, AUTHORIZING BUDGET ACCOUNT 3213 TO RECEIVE \$500,000 IN EACH YEAR OF THE 2013-2015 BIENNIUM FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUPPORTING THE HEALTHY NEVADA PROGRAM IN AN EFFORT TO INCREASE IMMUNIZATION RATES, AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE ANY NECESSARY TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS.

ASSEMBLYMAN HAMBRICK SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Leiser explained that there were two additional closing items in BA 3213:

- Decision unit E-710 recommended replacement of antivirus software. As
  the Subcommittees were aware, a statewide budget amendment had
  been received that included statewide security software; therefore,
  throughout a number of budget accounts, Fiscal Analysis Division staff
  would seek authority to adjust and/or remove antivirus software that was
  included in The Executive Budget.
- 2. Fiscal Analysis Division staff had made a technical adjustment to decision unit E-738 to increase grant revenue and expenditure authority so that the entire amount of the grant award could be realized.

The decision, said Mr. Leiser, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve other closing items 1 and 2, including the adjustment made by Fiscal Analysis Division staff in item 2, and to authorize Fiscal Analysis Division staff to make any additional technical adjustments as necessary.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE OTHER CLOSING ITEM 1, DECISION UNIT E-710, AND OTHER CLOSING ITEM 2, DECISION UNIT E-738, IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3213, INCLUDING THE ADJUSTMENT MADE BY FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF IN ITEM 2, AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE ANY ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH
WIC FOOD SUPPLEMENT (101-3214)
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH-50

Brody Leiser, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), stated there were no major closing issues in budget account (BA) 3214. There were two other closing items—decision unit Enhancement (E) 225 and decision unit E-710. Mr. Leiser indicated that Fiscal Analysis Division staff had made no technical adjustments to the budget account.

The decision, said Mr. Leiser, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve budget account (BA) 3214 as recommended by the Governor and to authorize Fiscal Analysis Division staff to make any necessary technical adjustments.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE BUDGET ACCOUNT 3214 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE ANY NECESSARY TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS.

ASSEMBLYMAN HAMBRICK SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH
HEALTH FACILITIES HOSPITAL LICENSING (101-3216)
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH-62

Brody Leiser, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), stated that there were two major closing issues in budget account (BA) 3216.

The first issue was the technology investment request (TIR) for a new licensing system in decision unit Enhancement (E) 581. Mr. Leiser stated the Governor recommended an online licensing system that would allow Nevadans to apply for and renew licenses, permits, and certificates, make demographic updates, track application status, and pay fees for licenses and certifications issued by the Health Division. The system would also allow the Division to publish inspection reports, sanction notices, and plans of correction.

Mr. Leiser said funding of \$1,366,329 was included in <u>The Executive Budget</u> to support the cost of the new system. Page 15 of <u>Exhibit C</u> contained a table that reflected the recommended funding to support the new licensing system. The Governor recommended that the funding be allocated across six accounts:

- 1. Health Facilities Hospital Licensing, BA 3216
- 2. Radiation Control, BA 3101
- 3. Child Care Services, BA 3149
- 4. Consumer Health Protection, BA 3194
- 5. Emergency Medical Services, BA 3235
- 6. Marijuana Health Registry, BA 4547

Mr. Leiser noted that Fiscal Analysis Division staff had made an adjustment to decision unit E-581 to align the cost-allocation revenue in BA 3216 with the amount of funds being transferred from the other five budget accounts. The adjustment increased the amount of transferred revenue in BA 3216 by \$43,147 in fiscal year (FY) 2014 and decreased the transfer revenue by \$3,221 in FY 2015, with offsetting adjustments made to the reserve. The table on page 15 of the exhibit included the adjustment made by Fiscal Analysis Division staff.

Mr. Leiser said the Health Division testified that the system would be configurable, allowing for new license types to be added and allowing up-front changes to be made without relying on advanced programmers. The goal of the system would be to create a single point of licensing access for health facilities, clinical laboratories, child care facilities, food establishments, dietitians, music therapists, emergency medical services, and other entities licensed by the Health Division.

The Division testified during the February 26, 2013, budget hearing that numerous independent systems were currently maintained, but the existing systems could not communicate with one another. Mr. Leiser indicated that

some of those systems were Excel spreadsheets rather than advanced systems that could be configured to talk to one another. The Division further testified that some prior systems could not be adapted to a web-based system.

Mr. Leiser said the new system would allow the Division to realize efficiencies through reduced turnaround time, data entry errors, emails and phone calls, mailings, tracking time, check receipt, and copy and printing costs. The Division indicated that the anticipated cost for the new system would be recovered in approximately eight years. The Division testified that the intent was to integrate the new system with SilverFlume, Nevada's Business Portal.

Per Mr. Leiser, the Division had worked with staff of the Division of Enterprise Information Technology Services (EITS), Department of Administration, and information technology staff from the Office of the Secretary of State, and full integration was anticipated with the new licensing system and SilverFlume upon completion of the TIR. Mr. Leiser stated that would allow transactions to be completed in SilverFlume, and the data would interface with the new system.

The decision, said Mr. Leiser, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve the technology investment request (TIR) recommended in decision unit E-581 for a new licensing system as recommended by the Governor, including technical adjustments made by Fiscal Analysis Division staff to the funding transfer.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE THE TECHNOLOGY INVESTMENT REQUEST FOR A NEW LICENSING SYSTEM RECOMMENDED IN DECISION UNIT E-581, BUDGET ACCOUNT 3216, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR, INCLUDING TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS TO THE FUNDING TRANSFER MADE BY FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

According to Mr. Leiser, the second major issue was an additional full-time-equivalent (FTE) position that was included in the base budget. The management analyst 2 position was funded with 58 percent Title XVIII federal funds, 27 percent Title XIX federal funds, and 15 percent state funds (health facility fees). The position was responsible for the management of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Title XVIII and Title XIX, Clinical Laboratories Improvement Act (CLIA) and Certificate of Waiver (COW) grant budgets, quarterly CMS reports, and the evaluation and analysis of time and effort reports.

Mr. Leiser explained that the addition of the new position did not meet the expenditure thresholds that required Interim Finance Committee (IFC) approval. Therefore, the new position was approved by the Budget Division of the Department of Administration and presented as an informational item at the December 11, 2012, meeting of the IFC. Neither the IFC nor the Legislature had the opportunity to evaluate or approve the new position; therefore, it was included as a major closing issue in <a href="Exhibit C">Exhibit C</a> to provide the Subcommittees with the opportunity to approve the position, which was currently filled.

The decision, said Mr. Leiser, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve the additional management analyst 2 position that was included in the base budget, and that was presented as an informational item before the IFC at its December 11, 2012, meeting.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER MOVED TO APPROVE THE ADDITIONAL MANAGEMENT ANALYST 2 POSITION THAT WAS INCLUDED IN THE BASE BUDGET IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3216, WHICH WAS PRESENTED AS AN INFORMATIONAL ITEM BEFORE THE DECEMBER 11, 2012, MEETING OF THE INTERIM FINANCE COMMITTEE.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Leiser indicated that there were three other closing items in BA 3216. Item 3 was a reduction in the amount of refund expenditures by \$53,441 in the Operating category in the base budget for each fiscal year. Fiscal Analysis Division staff had worked with the Division and determined that the amount included in the base year was the result of unique circumstances that were not expected to repeat.

The decision, said Mr. Leiser, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve other closing item 1, decision unit Enhancement (E) 710, and item 2, decision unit E-720, as recommended by the Governor, approve the adjustment by Fiscal Analysis Division staff noted in item 3, and authorize Fiscal Analysis Division staff to make any additional technical adjustments as necessary.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE OTHER CLOSING ITEM 1, DECISION UNIT E-710, AND OTHER CLOSING ITEM 2, DECISION UNIT E-720 IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3216, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR, TO APPROVE THE ADJUSTMENT NOTED IN CLOSING ITEM 3, AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE ANY ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH
HEALTH FACILITIES-ADMIN PENALTY (101-3217)
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH-70

Brody Leiser, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), stated that staff was responsible for development of the recommendations for budget account (BA) 3217. The Subcommittees had not previously reviewed the budget, and there were no closing issues in the account.

The decision, said Mr. Leiser, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve BA 3217 as recommended by the Governor.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

SENATOR PARKS MOVED TO APPROVE BUDGET ACCOUNT 3217 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR.

ASSEMBLYMAN HAMBRICK SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH
OFFICE OF HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (101-3223)
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH-111

Brody Leiser, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), stated that there were four major closing issues in budget account (BA) 3223. There were items in the account that related to the recommended reorganization of the Health Division and the Mental Health portion of the Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services (DMHDS). Mr. Leiser stated that Assembly Bill (A.B.) 488 had been introduced to facilitate the reorganization, and the bill would be heard by the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Leiser advised that the Subcommittees had approved the merger of the Health Division and the Mental Health portion of DMHDS during the closing hearing for DMHDS on April 23, 2013; therefore, closing action in BA 3223 should be consistent with the Subcommittees' earlier decision.

Mr. Leiser indicated that the Subcommittees would also consider the consolidation of the Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD), the Developmental Services portion of the DMHDS, and the Early Intervention Services (EIS) budget accounts at a later date. Mr. Leiser pointed out that there were decision units in BA 3223 that were related to the reorganization efforts.

Per Mr. Leiser, the first major closing issue in BA 3223 was decision unit Enhancement (E) 920, which recommended the transfer of 11 administrative positions whose workload was generated by the EIS program to the Federal Programs and Administration account (BA 3151) within ADSD. The 11 positions recommended for transfer were summarized on page 20 of Exhibit C. The Health Division had testified that it had worked with ADSD to ensure that sufficient staff was transferred to cover the needs of ADSD, but also that enough staff was retained in BA 3223 to cover the needs of the Health Division.

Mr. Leiser noted that decision unit E-920 was dependent upon decisions that would be made in closing the budget accounts for EIS and ADSD; therefore, Fiscal Analysis Division staff would seek authority to make any necessary adjustments to decision unit E-920 and BA 3223 based on future actions of the Subcommittees in closing the Federal Programs and Administration budget account within ADSD.

The decision, said Mr. Leiser, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve the Governor's recommendation to transfer 11 positions from BA 3223 to the Federal Programs and Administration account (BA 3151) in decision unit E-920, contingent upon future closing actions of the Subcommittees in consideration of the reorganization of ADSD, Developmental Services, and EIS.

Chair Carlton advised that the recommendation was to allow Fiscal Analysis Division staff to make the appropriate adjustments, depending upon the future closing actions of the Subcommittees in the reorganization effort.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER MOVED TO APPROVE THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO TRANSFER 11 POSITIONS FROM BA 3223 TO THE FEDERAL PROGRAMS AND ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT, BA 3151, IN DECISION UNIT E-920, CONTINGENT UPON FUTURE CLOSING ACTIONS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEES IN CONSIDERATION OF THE REORGANIZATION OF THE AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES DIVISION, DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, AND EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES, AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

#### ASSEMBLYMAN HAMBRICK SECONDED THE MOTION.

#### THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr. Leiser indicated that the second major closing issue was the Governor's recommendation to transfer the community health nursing manager position from Community Health Services (BA 3224) to BA 3223 as part of the recommended integration of Mental Health and the Health Division. Mr. Leiser indicated that the position would oversee rural healthcare in addition to the Community Health Nursing program. The position would provide oversight of the direct service facilities in rural mental health clinics, three mental hospitals, and outpatient mental health services. Mr. Leiser stated that the Governor's recommendation would centralize the oversight of rural clinics.

Mr. Leiser noted that based on the Subcommittees' closing actions approving the Governor's recommendation to reorganize Mental Health and substance abuse agencies, the recommendation appeared reasonable.

The decision, said Mr. Leiser, was whether the Subcommittees wished to transfer the community health nursing manager position from Community Health Services, BA 3224, to BA 3223, as recommended by the Governor, and authorize Fiscal Analysis Division staff to make any necessary technical adjustments.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER MOVED TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF THE COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSING MANAGER POSITION FROM COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES, BUDGET ACCOUNT 3224, TO BUDGET ACCOUNT 3223, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR, AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE ANY NECESSARY TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Horne was not present for the vote.

Mr. Leiser indicated that the third major closing issue was decision unit E-811, which would align position responsibilities within the merger of the Mental Health portion of DMHDS and the Health Division. The Governor recommended position title and salary changes for four existing positions. The decision unit included changing two classified positions to the unclassified service. Mr. Leiser said the table on page 21 of <a href="Exhibit C">Exhibit C</a> depicted the four positions that were recommended for a title change to deputy division administrator, which included the community health nursing manager position.

Mr. Leiser indicated that overall, the decision unit reduced General Fund appropriations by \$65,689 in fiscal year (FY) 2014 and \$65,716 in FY 2015. The Health Division testified during the previous budget hearing that the recommendation to have the deputy division administrator positions in the unclassified service would be consistent with the classification of similar positions within other divisions of the Department of Health and Human Services.

Mr. Leiser noted that the division administrator and state health officer positions in BA 3223 were currently vacant. He said the incumbents in the division administrator position and medical program coordinator position in the MHDS Administration budget account were filling dual roles. The Health Division indicated that the four deputy administrator positions were necessary as part of the reorganization and would provide centralized oversight to cover the primary functions of the new division.

Per Mr. Leiser, the organizational chart for the proposed Division of Public and Behavioral Health was included on page 25 of Exhibit C. The four areas that would be overseen by the deputy administrator positions were:

- 1. Administrative Services, which would include fiscal services; information technology; and human resources.
- Community Services, which would include substance abuse prevention and treatment; child, family, and community wellness; biostatistics; and epidemiology.
- Clinical Services, which would include Lake's Crossing; Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services; Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services; and Rural Clinics.

> Regulatory and Planning Services, which would include healthcare quality and compliance; health statistics planning and emergency response; consumer health protection; and various licensing and facility oversight.

Mr. Leiser noted that the unclassified position titles and salaries would be reviewed and determined by the full money committees at a later date. The information had been included in <a href="Exhibit C">Exhibit C</a> for review, but no action was required by the Subcommittees.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were questions or comments from members of the Subcommittees regarding the unclassified positions. Chair Carlton asked whether two positions would change from classified to unclassified.

Mr. Leiser replied that was correct. The community health nursing manager position and an existing deputy administrator position were currently in the classified service. Language was included in the pay bill that allowed incumbents in existing classified positions to remain in classified service as long as the incumbent remained in the position. However, once the incumbent vacated the position, it would change to unclassified service. Mr. Leiser noted that the incumbent would also have the option to move into the unclassified service.

Chair Carlton thanked Mr. Leiser for that information. There being no further questions from members of the Subcommittees, Chair Carlton asked Mr. Leiser to continue his presentation.

Mr. Leiser stated that the fourth major closing issue in BA 3223 was new positions recommended in decision unit E-225. The Governor recommended adding four grants and projects analyst 2 positions at a total cost of \$436,877 over the biennium. The Health Division had established a centralized fiscal unit and discovered that there was not sufficient staff for federal-reporting, grant-tracking, and federal-auditing requirements. Therefore, said Mr. Leiser, a work program was approved at the February 9, 2012, meeting of the Interim Finance Committee (IFC) that approved funding for six temporary contract positions to complete the work.

Mr. Leiser indicated that the Division recently testified that because of the positions approved by the IFC, it was able to develop the necessary procedures and standardized reporting and tracking templates. The Division indicated that

four permanent state positions would be sufficient to meet the federal grant workload requirements. Mr. Leiser stated that the work was currently being performed by contract staff and the recommendation was to replace contract staff with permanent state staff positions.

The decision, said Mr. Leiser, was whether the Subcommittee wished to approve funding for four grants and projects analyst 2 positions, as recommended by the Governor in decision unit E-225, and to authorize Fiscal Analysis Division staff to make any necessary technical adjustments.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE FUNDING FOR FOUR GRANTS AND PROJECTS ANALYST 2 POSITIONS IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3223, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR IN DECISION UNIT E-225, AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE ANY NECESSARY TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Bobzien was not present for the vote.)

Mr. Leiser stated that there were four other closing items in the budget account, which included decision unit E-226 that recommended an increase in travel and training funds. However, because the state health officer position was recommended to be housed in the Mental Health Administration budget account, Fiscal Analysis Division staff had made a technical adjustment and recommended that the in-state travel included in the decision unit directly related to that position be removed from BA 3223.

Additionally, said Mr. Leiser, decision unit E-805 recommended the reclassification of an IT technician 6 position to an IT professional 2 position. The position had subsequently transferred in decision unit E-920, which the Subcommittees had approved contingent upon future closing actions that would occur within the Aging and Disability Services Division. Similarly, decision unit E-805 would be contingent upon the future closing actions by the Subcommittees.

Mr. Leiser indicated that budget amendment A13A0050 was received on March 27, 2013, by the Fiscal Analysis Division to balance the Health Division's cost-allocation schedule because of the statewide budget amendment to adjust statewide cost allocations. Because the money committees had provided Fiscal Analysis Division staff with the authority to make those adjustments, they would be made at the same time as the statewide budget amendment was considered and were not reflected in the closing document (Exhibit C).

The decision, said Mr. Leiser, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve other closing items 1 through 3, including the adjustment to reduce travel costs in decision unit E-226, and to authorize Fiscal Analysis Division staff to make any necessary technical adjustments.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE OTHER CLOSING ITEMS 1 THROUGH 3 IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3223, INCLUDING THE ADJUSTMENT TO REDUCE TRAVEL COSTS IN DECISION UNIT E-226, AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE ANY NECESSARY TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN KIRKPATRICK SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Bobzien was not present for the vote.)

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HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (101-3235)
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH-131

Brody Leiser, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), stated that there were no major closing issues in budget account (BA) 3235, and no technical adjustments had been made by staff.

The decision, said Mr. Leiser, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve budget account 3235 as recommended by the Governor and authorize Fiscal Analysis Division staff to make any necessary technical adjustments.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE BUDGET ACCOUNT 3235 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE ANY NECESSARY TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Bobzien was not present for the vote.)

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HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH
CHILD CARE SERVICES (101-3149)
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH-142

Brody Leiser, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), stated there was one major closing issue in budget account (BA) 3149. Decision unit Enhancement (E) 275 recommended a General Fund appropriation of \$34,152 in fiscal year (FY) 2015 to partially support an existing child care facility surveyor position to conduct child care facility complaint inspections. Mr. Leiser indicated that the position had been vacant since July 2011, and during the budget hearing on February 26, 2013, the Division testified that the position had remained vacant because of insufficient and uncertain funding within the account.

Furthermore, said Mr. Leiser, the Division indicated it did not want to fill the position without the certainty that sufficient funding would be secured to avoid a potential layoff. If filled, the position would focus on complaint investigations. The Division indicated that it currently completed follow-up and investigations of complaints; however, those efforts required existing surveyor positions to shift focus from the required periodic inspections and compliance education efforts.

Mr. Leiser stated that currently there was not a dedicated position in BA 3149 for complaint investigations. The Division testified that having a dedicated position would allow it to keep the inspection and complaint activity separate and maintain the integrity of those activities. Fiscal Analysis Division staff concurred with the agency's assertion of filling the position for the purpose of keeping complaint investigations separate from licensure and inspection.

To assist the Subcommittees with decision unit E-275, said Mr. Leiser, information was provided on page 29 of Exhibit C regarding existing license fees for child care facilities.

Mr. Leiser indicated that a Letter of Intent was issued by the 2011 Legislature that instructed the Health Division to review the costs of performing child care facility licensing duties. The Division was instructed to provide an analysis to the Interim Finance Committee (IFC) regarding whether license fees should be adjusted from the current levels to support the cost of performing the service, thereby eliminating the need for General Funds in BA 3149.

The response from the Division indicated that the license for each type of child care facility would need to be increased by \$113 to cover the \$66,000 General Fund amount. Mr. Leiser noted that the analysis had not been fully completed to determine the cost of performing child care facility licensing duties. The fees listed on page 29 of the exhibit were set by regulation in the Nevada Administrative Code and were the current fees assessed for the various child care facilities. The Division indicated during the budget hearing that the fees had not been changed in over 20 years.

Additionally, said Mr. Leiser, the Division testified that a current review of the fee structure was underway, and information was being tracked via a time and effort system. At the time of the budget hearing, the Division indicated it had input data for three months into the tracking system, but would need a full year of data to complete the entire analysis. Information had been provided to Fiscal Analysis Division staff that indicated once the data for a full year had been collected, the Health Division anticipated it would take an additional nine months to fully analyze that information.

Mr. Leiser stated that because of the time frame, it was reasonable to expect that fee adjustments could be made based on the Division's completed analysis in FY 2015, potentially eliminating the need for the General Fund recommendation through an increase in fee revenue. Mr. Leiser noted that

Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 439.150 required that fees set by the State Board of Health, "must be calculated to produce for that period the revenue from the fees projected in the budget approved for the Health Division by the Legislature."

Mr. Leiser stated there were two options for consideration by the Subcommittees regarding decision unit E-275:

- 1. Approve the Governor's recommendation to include a General Fund appropriation of \$34,152 in FY 2015 to partially support an existing child care facility surveyor position for child care facility complaint investigations.
- 2. Replace the General Fund appropriation of \$34,152 in FY 2015, as recommended by the Governor, with license fee revenue to partially support an existing child care facility surveyor position for child care facility complaint investigations.

Chair Carlton said she had concerns about decision unit E-275. She referred to the Letter of Intent issued by the 2011 Legislature and the response. The Legislature specifically asked the Health Division to provide an analysis to the IFC regarding possible fee increases. Chair Carlton noted that a very rudimentary response was received from the Division that fees would need to be increased by \$113 for each licensee to cover the General Fund allocation. The area of child care licensing had been before the Legislature for several sessions, and that area should be self-sustaining even though it was a complaint-driven process. Chair Carlton said the Legislature was not in receipt of the necessary information, and apparently it would take another year to complete the task, which would mean that the issue would again be before the 2015 Legislature. Also, the Chair requested additional information about the \$113 fee increase for all child care facilities, which she believed was inappropriate.

Marla McDade Williams, Deputy Administrator, Health Division, Department of Health and Human Services, stated that the Health Division had received the child care licensing program on July 1, 2011, at which time an adjustment was required to regulate and monitor time and effort for the program because it did not have that type of system in place. Ms. Williams said the Health Division had invested substantial energy in acclimating the child care licensing program with the Division's systems. Efforts were made to ensure that complaint investigations and periodic inspection information was made public.

The Health Division was still working through the process of acclimating the Child Care Licensing program to the Division's systems so the information needed by the Legislature could be produced.

Ms. Williams assured the Subcommittees that the Health Division understood the importance of having an adequate fee structure in place, but it did not have the data to make those determinations at the present time. The Division was making a concerted effort to put the tracking system in place so that the time and effort that went into inspecting all facilities would be known. Ms. Williams agreed that when the information was available, it was not likely that an across-the-board increase would be recommended, but rather the fees would be based on the time and effort to inspect individual child care facilities. Those fees would be established through the regulatory process and would include transparency for providers.

Chair Carlton thanked Ms. Williams for that information. She noted that the fees could be changed in regulation and workshops could be posted; she did not believe that the process should take another two years. The Chair believed that it was the Health Division's responsibility to initiate the process to adjust the fees, and that facilities should be allowed to offer information about the fee structure. Chair Carlton said the Health Division could bring the regulations back to the Legislative Commission or the Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations for approval. The fees had not been adjusted for 20 years and the Division needed to start the procedure as soon as possible.

Senator Smith asked about the child care facility surveyor position, which apparently had been held vacant.

Ms. Williams stated the position had been held vacant. She explained that the General Fund allocation for BA 3149 was approximately \$50,000, while the overall budget was over \$1 million. The majority of the funding was received through the Child Care and Development Block Grant. When the child care licensing program moved to the Health Division on July 1, 2011, the amount of the Child Care and Development Block Grant funding that would be received by the Health Division was scheduled for reduction.

Ms. Williams indicated that the Health Division discussed the matter with the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services, and the funding was not reduced. However, the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services had been going

through a continued phase of funding cuts for its operations, and at any given time, there could have been a reduction in Child Care and Development Block Grant funding. Therefore, the Health Division maintained the vacant position rather than hiring a child care facility surveyor and laying that person off if the funding was reduced. As previously stated, existing surveyors had to shift their focus from the required periodic inspections and compliance education efforts to conduct complaint investigations. If the Health Division was allowed a more stable source of funding, it could fill the position and move forward with the proposed plan.

Senator Kieckhefer opined that if licensing fees had not been adjusted in 20 years, that clearly needed further review. The regulatory process was not always efficient, and at times it could take as long as two years to get regulations passed. Senator Kieckhefer was concerned about putting the additional fee revenue into the budget knowing the time lag that could occur in passage of regulations.

Chair Carlton stated that the proposed scenario of waiting another two years for the information was about the length of time it would take to get a regulation passed, so it appeared that the process would not be accelerated by adding General Fund dollars. She hoped the fees could be adjusted sooner through the regulatory process, particularly if the regulation was a priority for the Legislative Commission or the Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations.

Assemblyman Sprinkle commented that letters of intent had been discussed frequently along with the importance of those letters to the legislative committees that issued them. It was somewhat worrisome that even with a letter of intent, very little had been done to comply with the request.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE OPTION 2, WHICH WOULD REPLACE THE GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION OF \$33,152 IN FISCAL YEAR 2015 IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3149, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR IN DECISION UNIT E-275, WITH LICENSE FEE REVENUE TO PARTIALLY SUPPORT AN EXISTING CHILD CARE FACILITY SURVEYOR POSITION FOR CHILD CARE FACILITY COMPLAINT INVESTIGATIONS.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblywoman Kirkpatrick was not present for the vote.)

Mr. Leiser stated that the two other closing items had not been adjusted by Fiscal Analysis Division staff, and staff recommended approval of other closing items as recommended by the Governor. Staff requested authority to make any necessary technical adjustments based on the closing of other Health Division accounts.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE OTHER CLOSING ITEMS IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3149 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE ANY NECESSARY TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS BASED ON THE CLOSING OF OTHER HEALTH DIVISION ACCOUNTS.

ASSEMBLYMAN HAMBRICK SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblywoman Kirkpatrick was not present for the vote.)

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HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH
CANCER CONTROL REGISTRY (101-3153)
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH-21

Laura Freed, Senior Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), stated that staff was responsible for developing recommendations for budget account (BA) 3153, and it had not been reviewed by the Subcommittees.

Ms. Freed indicated that there were no major closing issues, and one other closing item in decision unit Enhancement (E) 710, replacement equipment, appeared reasonable.

The decision, said Ms. Freed, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve BA 3153 as recommended by the Governor, and to authorize Fiscal Analysis Division staff to make technical adjustments to agency revenues, balances forward, reserve levels, and the Health Division's indirect cost assessment, depending on the closing of other budget accounts.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN KIRNER MOVED TO APPROVE BUDGET ACCOUNT 3153 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENCY REVENUES, BALANCES FORWARD, RESERVE LEVELS, AND THE HEALTH DIVISION'S INDIRECT COST ASSESSMENT, DEPENDING ON THE CLOSING OF OTHER BUDGET ACCOUNTS.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblywoman Kirkpatrick was not present for the vote.)

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HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH
HEALTH STATISTICS AND PLANNING (101-3190)
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH-25

Laura Freed, Senior Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), stated that there were three major closing issues in budget account (BA) 3190.

The first issue, said Ms. Freed, was decision unit Enhancement (E) 228, which allowed the Health Statistics and Planning budget account to retain vital records fees, thereby supporting itself. Ms. Freed noted that the 2011 Legislature

closed the budget account permitting the Health Division's Office of Vital Records to retain its fee income, and the General Fund appropriation was removed from the account. However, *Nevada Revised Statutes* (NRS) 440.690 was not amended to permit the Division to retain vital records fees.

In decision unit E-228, the Governor recommended the removal of General Fund appropriations and the replacement of those appropriations with fee revenue. Ms. Freed indicated there were two current budget bills that would address that recommendation. The first was <u>Assembly Bill (A.B.) 449</u>, which was recommended for amendment and passed out of the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means on April 24, 2013. That bill eliminated the provision in NRS 440.690 and would allow the Division to retain vital records fees. The amendment to the bill changed the effective date of the bill from "upon passage and approval" to July 1, 2013.

Ms. Freed said Assembly Bill (A.B.) 471 recommended a supplemental appropriation of \$519,243 so that the Health Statistics and Planning account could operate in fiscal year (FY) 2013. As recommended by the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means, the bill would be amended to provide a one-shot appropriation of the same amount so that the budget account could repay its General Fund advance for FY 2013. Ms. Freed noted that if the Subcommittees approved decision unit E-228, A.B. 449 and A.B. 471 would also need to be approved.

Per Ms. Freed, the decision unit and two companion budget bills would address the intent of the 2011 Legislature, and Fiscal Analysis Division staff recommended approval. However, Fiscal Analysis Division staff and the Health Division discussed the option of having a General Fund advance included in the Authorizations Act, and it was agreed that it would be beneficial for the Health Statistics and Planning budget account to have that option. Therefore, Fiscal Analysis Division staff would suggest that the Subcommittees consider inserting language into the 2013 Authorizations Act permitting the Health Statistics and Planning budget account (3190) to seek a General Fund advance of no more than \$550,000 in FY 2014 and also in FY 2015. The 2011 Legislature granted the budget account that same permission.

The decision, said Ms. Freed, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve decision unit E-228, thereby removing the General Fund appropriation and permitting the Health Division to retain vital records fee revenue in BA 3190; also, whether the Subcommittees wished to approve the addition of

language to the 2013 Authorizations Act permitting the Health Statistics and Planning budget to seek a General Fund advance up to \$550,000 in FY 2014 and FY 2015.

Chair Carlton advised the Subcommittees that <u>A.B. 449</u> had been passed out of the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means and would be amended and reviewed on the floor of the Assembly and <u>A.B. 471</u> would be heard soon by the Committee on Ways and Means.

Chair Carlton asked whether the Health Statistics and Planning budget had sought a General Fund appropriation during the current biennium. Ms. Freed replied that an advance of \$519,243 was requested and approved in FY 2013.

Chair Carlton asked the purpose behind adding the language to the Authorizations Act.

Ms. Freed explained that the language was requested as a safety net because the ability to accrue vital records fees in BA 3190 would not begin until July 1, 2013. The Health Division would need a few months to accrue fees for operating purposes; there were also other revenue sources that supported the Health Statistics and Planning budget—Social Security reimbursements and reimbursements from the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS). The Office of Vital Records was up to date on its data submissions to the NCHS, so the amount of revenue the Division would be able to draw would be somewhat lower than that drawn in FY 2012 and consistent with FY 2013 thus far, which was the reason the Division had requested a General Fund advance in FY 2013.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE DECISION UNIT E-228 IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3190, **THEREBY** REMOVING THE GENERAL FUND **APPROPRIATIONS** PERMITTING AND THE HEALTH DIVISION TO RETAIN VITAL RECORDS FEE REVENUE IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3190, AND ALSO TO APPROVE THE ADDITION OF LANGUAGE TO THE AUTHORIZATIONS ACT PERMITTING THE HEALTH STATISTICS AND **PLANNING** ACCOUNT TO SEEK A GENERAL FUND ADVANCE UP TO \$550,000 IN FY 2014 AND FY 2015.

#### ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblywoman Kirkpatrick was not present for the vote.)

Ms. Freed stated the second major closing issue was the addition of three new positions in decision unit E-230:

- 1. A program officer 3 position to be responsible for program training and supervision for the Office of Vital Records and the Medical Marijuana Program (MMP). Because that position was supposed to spend 15 percent of its time on the MMP, Fiscal Analysis Division staff would request the authority to correctly cost-allocate the funding for the program officer 3 position, should it be approved.
- 2. An administrative assistant 2 position. There were numerous administrative assistant positions in the budget account, but those positions processed birth and death certificate requests and amended birth records for paternity reasons, along with other duties; it appeared that the Division needed general administrative support staff as well.
- A statistician 1 position to conduct quality improvement activities for all data generated for the Web-Enabled Vital Records Registry System (WEVRRS).

The decision, said Ms. Freed, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve reserved fee funding for one new program officer 3 position, one new administrative assistant 2 position, and one new statistician 1 position, as requested in decision unit E-230, for a total expense of \$132,528 in FY 2014 and \$183,649 in FY 2015. Fiscal Analysis Division staff would request approval to correct the cost allocation of the program officer 3 position between BA 3190 and BA 4547, Marijuana Health Registry.

Senator Kieckhefer asked whether the difference between the FY 2014 and FY 2015 funding was because of the hire date. Ms. Freed stated that was correct; new positions would typically begin on October 1, 2013.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE RESERVED FEE FUNDING FOR ONE NEW PROGRAM OFFICER 3 POSITION, ONE NEW ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT 2 POSITION, AND ONE NEW STATISTICIAN 1 POSITION, AS RECOMMENDED IN DECISION UNIT E-230 IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3190, FOR A TOTAL EXPENSE OF \$132,528 IN FY 2014 AND \$183,649 IN FY 2015, AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO CORRECT THE COST ALLOCATION OF THE PROGRAM OFFICER 3 POSITION BETWEEN BA 3190 AND BA 4547, MARIJUANA HEALTH REGISTRY.

ASSEMBLYMAN HAMBRICK SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblywoman Kirkpatrick was not present for the vote.)

Ms. Freed stated that the third major issue was equipment and software enhancements and replacements. Ms. Freed indicated that page 37 of <a href="Exhibit C">Exhibit C</a> contained a table that depicted the eight enhancements to upgrade software and networking, replace office equipment and shelving, replace computers, and install bullet-resistant glass for the reception area of the Office of Vital Records. Although all eight enhancements were contained in the table to indicate the overall cost, decision units E-226, E-713, and E-720 contained the major issues. The other decision units depicted in the table would be addressed in other closing items.

Ms. Freed said the Governor recommended \$45,633 over the biennium in decision unit E-226 to renew and add Citrix software licenses. Fiscal Analysis Division staff asked the Health Division to cost-allocate decision unit E-226, and the Division agreed. Therefore, said Ms. Freed, the decision unit could be adjusted by cost allocation prior to budget closures. If the Subcommittees approved decision unit E-226, Fiscal Analysis Division staff would request the authority to cost-allocate the enhancement.

Per Ms. Freed, Fiscal Analysis Division staff had also reduced the cost in the second year of the biennium for decision unit E-226 to match the vendor quote, which added back \$1,113 to the reserves. With that technical adjustment and with the authority to cost-allocate the enhancement, decision unit E-226 appeared reasonable to staff.

Ms. Freed stated that decision unit E-713 recommended \$100,000 for a Netsmart upgrade, which was the software that allowed program staff to access the electronic birth and death registry systems. During the budget hearing, the Health Division testified that the upgrade would last seven to ten years. The decision was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve the Netsmart upgrade in decision unit E-713 at a total cost of \$100,000.

Ms. Freed indicated that decision unit E-720 recommended the purchase of 12 new cubicles for the Office of Vital Records program staff. The decision was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve the new furniture for the Office of Vital Records in decision unit E-720 at a cost of \$39,490 in FY 2015.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN BOBZIEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE RENEWAL ADDITION OF SOFTWARE LICENSES IN AND DECISION UNIT E-226, BUDGET ACCOUNT 3190, INCLUDING THE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENT, AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL COST-ALLOCATE **ANALYSIS** DIVISION STAFF TO ENHANCEMENT; TO APPROVE THE ELECTRONIC BIRTH AND DEATH REGISTRY SYSTEMS UPGRADE IN DECISION UNIT E-713 AT A TOTAL COST OF \$100,000; AND TO APPROVE THE NEW FURNITURE FOR THE OFFICE OF VITAL RECORDS PROGRAM STAFF IN DECISION UNIT E-720 AT A COST OF \$39,490 IN FISCAL YEAR 2015.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Horne and Kirkpatrick were not present for the vote.)

Ms. Freed stated that there were ten other closing items in the budget account, as described on pages 38, 39, and 40, of <a href="Exhibit C">Exhibit C</a>, and all ten closing items appeared reasonable to Fiscal Analysis Division staff. Staff had also made technical adjustments that included the revenue to be transferred from the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy's Administration budget, which had been adjusted to reflect the amounts in that budget account (BA 3158). Also, during the adjusted base budget review process, Fiscal Analysis Division staff

noted that the cost of small equipment had not been averaged correctly, and staff had adjusted those expenditures.

The decision, said Ms. Freed, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve other closing items as recommended by the Governor, including the aforementioned technical adjustments, and to authorize Fiscal Analysis Division staff to make additional technical adjustments as necessary.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE CLOSING ITEMS IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3190 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR, INCLUDING THE NOTED TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS, AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL TO MAKE ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Horne and Kirkpatrick were not present for the vote.)

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HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH
CONSUMER HEALTH PROTECTION (101-3194)
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH-36

Laura Freed, Senior Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), stated that there were no major closing issues budget account (BA) 3194, and four other closing items. Ms. Freed noted that Fiscal Analysis Division staff had decreased the price for maintenance of the inspection software that was used by environmental health inspectors. The amount was reduced to match the fiscal year (FY) 2013 quote because a more recent quote was not available. Fiscal Analysis Division staff would request approval of that technical adjustment.

The decision, said Ms. Freed, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve other closing items with the noted technical adjustment and to authorize Fiscal Analysis Division staff to make additional technical adjustments.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN HAMBRICK MOVED TO APPROVE BUDGET ACCOUNT 3194 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR, INCLUDING THE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENT MADE BY FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF, AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Horne and Kirkpatrick were not present for the vote.)

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HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH
COMMUNICABLE DISEASES (101-3215)
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH-56

Freed, Senior Program Analyst, Fiscal Division, Laura Analysis Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), stated there was one major closing issue in budget account (BA) 3215. The Governor recommended an increase of \$1,846,549 per fiscal year in pharmaceutical rebate monies in decision unit Enhancement (E) 225, which would bring the total projected rebate revenue to \$3,108,250 in both fiscal year (FY) 2014 and FY 2015. The reason for the enhancement was to increase the wraparound services for persons with HIV/AIDS, as depicted on pages 44 and 45 of Exhibit C.

Ms. Freed indicated that at the previous budget hearing, the effect of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) on the Ryan White HIV/AIDS programs had been discussed, and the Health Division explained that it expected 652 of its AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) clients to migrate to either Medicaid or the new Silver State Health Insurance Exchange (SSHIX). Of that total, the Division

expected 403 clients would be eligible for Medicaid under the expansion, and 249 clients would be eligible to move to the SSHIX. The main focus of the Ryan White programs, said Ms. Freed, was expected to change to insurance support and wraparound services rather than direct drug purchases. However, the decline in rebate revenue and grant revenue might be gradual because the transition of clients to Medicaid and the SSHIX could take several years.

Ms. Freed said the other issue that had been discussed at previous hearings was the federal budget sequester [the automatic across-the-board cuts necessitated by the Budget Control Act of 2011]. Total expenses recommended for Ryan White programs was nearly \$13 million in both years of the upcoming biennium, which would be funded by General Fund, federal Ryan White grant funds, and pharmaceutical rebate monies contemplated in decision unit E-225. The Health Division indicated that because of the federal budget sequester, its grant award could be reduced by a maximum of \$928,000 per federal fiscal year. That would reduce the Ryan White Part B grant award to \$7.5 million per year. Ms. Freed said the Health Division had provided new caseload information and the average cost per month for each of the Ryan White programs, which was depicted on page 46 of Exhibit C.

Ms. Freed said Fiscal Analysis Division staff had calculated the yearly funding needed to cover the costs of those programs and compared it to the funding in <a href="The Executive Budget">The Executive Budget</a> after reducing the federal funding in anticipation of the budget sequester. The total need for Ryan White programs was \$12.4 million per year, but unfortunately the reduced total funding to support Ryan White programs because of the budget sequester would be \$12.1 million per year. That produced an approximately \$360,000 shortage. Ms. Freed stated the Health Division was committed to serving clients of the ADAP, the Coordination of Benefits (COB) program, and the State Pharmacy Assistance Program (SPAP) before it enhanced wraparound services.

Ms. Freed noted that if the pharmaceutical rebate revenue was not received as expected and the federal budget sequester was greater than expected, the Division would use the available funding to maintain those programs without a waiting list.

Ms. Freed indicated that the Subcommittees might wish to choose one of the following options:

- a. Approve the Governor's recommendation, thereby adding \$1,846,549 per year in drug rebate authority for a total of \$3,108,250 in pharmaceutical rebates per year.
- b. Amend the Governor's recommendation by adding \$360,000 in General Fund appropriations per fiscal year to replace the federal funding expected to be lost because of the budget sequester, in addition to approving the enhancement recommended in pharmaceutical rebate revenue and HIV/AIDS wraparound services.

Senator Kieckhefer asked whether money that was anticipated being lost because of the sequester had been added back to other budgets at closing.

Chair Carlton believed that the loss of funding would occur in a number of budget accounts, and she supported the add-back in BA 3215; she opined that it was simply a matter of timing.

Ms. Freed said she was not aware of any budget closings that had added back money because of the sequester; perhaps Mr. Chapman or Mr. Haartz could address that issue.

Michael J. Chapman, Principal Deputy Fiscal Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), could not recall making any technical adjustments because of the sequester. There were options available to the Subcommittees, such as adding back the money or setting aside money with the Interim Finance Committee (IFC) to address shortfalls because of the sequester.

Chair Carlton said the issue had been discussed earlier, and one idea was setting funds aside to backfill budgets depending upon the effect of the sequester.

Senator Kieckhefer wondered how many budget accounts could potentially be affected by the sequester; he stated he would feel more comfortable setting aside funding to address budget shortfalls because of the sequester. Agencies could then approach the IFC to request funding. Senator Kieckhefer opined that adding funds to budgets prior to a shortfall could have consequences moving forward. From a budgetary perspective of how the state should handle possible budget shortfalls because of the sequester, he believed that setting money aside would be the best alternative.

Chair Carlton agreed. It was her understanding that any augmentation because of the sequester would not affect the required maintenance of effort (MOE) for funding from the Ryan White grant.

In response to Senator Kieckhefer's inquiry about the number of budgets affected by the sequester, Mr. Chapman stated there was not an exact accounting; however, he believed there were several dozen budgets that could potentially be affected.

Senator Parks wondered whether a waitlist would be created for the Ryan White programs if the \$360,000 was not added to the budget account.

Ms. Freed indicated that there was no current waitlist for ADAP, COB, or SPAP. Not adding the \$360,000 would not immediately create a waitlist because the sequester had not yet affected Ryan White grant-funding. The Health Division would use pharmaceutical rebate revenue to support the most primary efforts within the Ryan White programs before instituting a waitlist. For example, said Ms. Freed, wraparound services would be delayed or scaled back to provide funding for the medicine needed by clients.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER MOVED TO APPROVE OPTION A: TO APPROVE THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION IN DECISION UNIT E-225, BUDGET ACCOUNT 3215, TO ADD \$1,846,549 PER YEAR IN DRUG REBATE AUTHORITY FOR A TOTAL OF \$3,108,250 IN PHARMACEUTICAL REBATES PER YEAR, WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THE RYAN WHITE PROGRAMS WOULD NOT GO UNFUNDED BECAUSE OF SEQUESTER SHORTFALLS.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Horne and Kirkpatrick were not present for the vote.)

Ms. Freed indicated that there were two other closing items in BA 3215 in decision units Enhancement (E) 710, replacement equipment, and E-805, position reclassification, both of which appeared reasonable to Fiscal Analysis Division staff.

The decision, said Ms. Freed, was whether the Subcommittee wished to approve other closing items as recommended by the Governor and authorize Fiscal Analysis Division staff to make technical adjustments as necessary.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN KIRNER MOVED TO APPROVE OTHER CLOSING ITEMS RECOMMENDED IN DECISION UNITS E-710 AND E-805, BUDGET ACCOUNT 3215, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Bobzien, Horne, and Kirkpatrick were not present for the vote.)

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HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH
PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM (101-3218)
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH-72

Laura Freed, Senior Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), stated there was one major closing issue in budget account (BA) 3218. Decision unit Enhancement (E) 225 recommended two new positions to support the Emergency System for Advance Registration of Volunteer Health Professionals (ESAR-VHP) portion of the Hospital Preparedness Program Grant. The request was for one new health program specialist 2 position and one new administrative assistant 2 position, which would replace the current contract positions administering the program.

The decision, said Ms. Freed, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve two new state positions for the ESAR-VHP grant program, funded by the Hospital Preparedness Program grant and totaling \$207,847 over the biennium.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN KIRNER MOVED TO APPROVE TWO NEW STATE POSITIONS FOR THE ESAR-VHP GRANT PROGRAM IN RECOMMENDED DECISION UNIT E-225, **BUDGET** ACCOUNT 3218, FUNDED BY THE HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM GRANT AND TOTALING \$207,847 OVER THE BIENNIUM.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Hambrick, Horn, and Kirkpatrick were not present for the vote.)

Ms. Freed stated there were two other closing items. The 2011 Legislature approved a new administrative assistant 2 position to support both the State Health Access Program (SHAP) grant and the Primary Care Office grant. The position was not filled, and the Health Division had requested elimination of the position in its agency-request budget. The Budget Division eliminated the position from the base budget. Ms. Freed stated that Fiscal Analysis Division staff had replaced the position in the base budget listing and then eliminated it from the base budget, so that there was a proper audit trail for position control purposes.

In addition, said Ms. Freed, at the January 25, 2013, Interim Finance Committee (IFC) meeting, an education information officer position was reclassified to a public information officer. The Fiscal Analysis Division changed the class code in the base budget listing, as well as other pertinent decision units to match the approval by IFC.

Finally, said Ms. Freed, the Fiscal Analysis Division and the Health Division had identified some outstanding revenue and expenditure issues, and Fiscal Analysis Division staff had adjusted revenue and expenditure authority to match the appropriate amount of grant revenue anticipated. Fiscal Analysis Division staff

recommended approval of other closing items, including the three technical adjustments.

The decision, said Ms. Freed, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve other closing items and the three technical adjustments and to authorize Fiscal Analysis Division staff to make any additional technical adjustments as necessary.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN KIRNER MOVED TO APPROVE OTHER CLOSING ITEMS IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3218, INCLUDING THE THREE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS, AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE ANY ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Hambrick, Horn, and Kirkpatrick were not present for the vote.)

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HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH
BIOSTATISTICS AND EPIDEMIOLOGY (101-3219)
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH-79

Laura Freed, Senior Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), stated there were two major closing issues in budget account (BA) 3219. The first was the new medical epidemiologist position requested in decision unit Enhancement (E) 225. recommended reallocating existing Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) grant-funding to add one unclassified medical epidemiologist position. Ms. Freed said the position was recommended to be paid at the senior physician range C rate; however, the Health Division noted that the medical epidemiologist was not required to be a physician, unlike the state health officer. The position would more likely be filled by a person who had attained a Ph.D.

Ms. Freed stated that there was a distinction between a medical epidemiologist, the state health officer, and the state epidemiologist. The Health Division explained that while the state epidemiologist focused on communicable disease outbreaks, the new position would focus on chronic diseases. The state epidemiologist would collect the data, which would be analyzed by the medical epidemiologist to identify trends across the state.

The decision, said Ms. Freed, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve a new unclassified medical epidemiologist position as recommended in decision unit E-225, funded by the federal ELC grant. Ms. Freed noted that salary levels and titles for unclassified positions would be decided later by the full money committees.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER MOVED TO APPROVE A NEW UNCLASSIFIED MEDICAL EPIDEMIOLOGIST POSITION IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3219 AS RECOMMENDED IN DECISION UNIT E-225, FUNDED BY THE FEDERAL EPIDEMIOLOGY AND LABORATORY CAPACITY GRANT.

ASSEMBLYMAN HAMBRICK SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Horne was not present for the vote.)

Ms. Freed stated that the second issue was the new BioSense surveillance application, as recommended in decision unit E-738. The Executive Budget recommended three new positions, one information technology professional 3 position and two health program specialists 1 positions, to institute the BioSense application as the primary syndromic surveillance system in Nevada. That would replace the state's previous EpiCenter system. Ms. Freed indicated that the grant revenue was in BA 3219 for the current fiscal year, and the recommendation would add the revenue and expense authority for the upcoming biennium, along with the three new positions.

Ms. Freed said the two recommended health program specialist 1 positions would develop a state working group on syndromic surveillance and recruit hospitals, health authorities, and other data providers to enroll in BioSense.

Currently, 52 healthcare facilities were connected to the EpiCenter system, and the Health Division reported that Washoe County, Clark County, and Carson City were in the process of transitioning to BioSense. The program's goal was to have all current reporting facilities moved to BioSense by the end of August 2013.

The decision, said Ms. Freed, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve one new information technology professional 3 position and two new health program specialist 1 positions, as recommended in decision unit E-738, to continue the BioSense program effort in the upcoming biennium at a total grant-funded cost of \$517,514 over the biennium.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE ONE NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY 3 POSITION AND TWO NEW HEALTH PROGRAM SPECIALIST 1 POSITIONS IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3219, AS RECOMMENDED IN DECISION UNIT E-738, TO CONTINUE THE BIOSENSE PROGRAM EFFORT IN THE UPCOMING BIENNIUM AT A TOTAL GRANT-FUNDED COST OF \$517,514 OVER THE BIENNIUM.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Horne was not present for the vote.)

Ms. Freed stated there were two other closing items, one being decision unit E-737, youth risk behavior survey. In future biennia, the Health Division would directly apply to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) to receive the grant-funding to conduct the survey. The funding was previously drawn by the Department of Education, and Fiscal Analysis Division staff made a technical adjustment to ensure that the ability to draw the grant was recorded in the appropriate accounting code.

Ms. Freed indicated that Fiscal Analysis Division staff recommended to approve the two other closing items, including the technical adjustment in decision unit E-737, and to authorize staff to make any additional technical adjustments.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

SENATOR PARKS MOVED TO APPROVE THE TWO OTHER CLOSING ITEMS IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3219, INCLUDING THE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENT IN DECISION UNIT E-737, AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Horne was not present for the vote.)

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HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH
CHRONIC DISEASE (101-3220)
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH-89

Laura Freed, Senior Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), stated there was one major closing issue in budget account (BA) 3220.

Per Ms. Freed, on March 27, 2013, the Fiscal Analysis Division received budget amendment A13A0018, which recommended adding tobacco settlement funding of \$1 million in each fiscal year of the upcoming biennium to support and expand the Health Division's tobacco-cessation efforts. Of the total amount of funding, \$950,000 would be awarded competitively to community providers such as county health districts, the Nevada Tobacco Users' Helpline, and other nonprofit organizations, to conduct cessation activities. In addition, said Ms. Freed, \$33,370 would be provided to the Great Basin Primary Care Association to collect data from health providers to help target specific populations with high tobacco usage to improve the state's tobacco intervention programs. Finally, a small percentage of the funding would be used to support a portion of the salary for two existing state employees to evaluate tobacco programs in the state and fund indirect cost assessments.

The decision, said Ms. Freed, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve budget amendment A13A0018, which would add \$2 million in tobacco settlement funding to BA 3220 in the upcoming biennium.

Chair Carlton said her only concern was the naming of a particular nonprofit organization to collect data from health providers; she indicated that she had worked for that nonprofit organization for four years. Chair Carlton asked Mr. Whitley to come forward and explain why that particular nonprofit organization had been named rather than selecting an organization through a competitive bidding process.

Richard Whitley, Administrator, Health Division, Department of Health and Human Services, explained that the Great Basin Primary Care Association was the state's only Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) designated association for primary care for the federally qualified health centers. Ms. Whitley indicated that Great Basin Primary Care Association was the only existing network that received federal funding in the acknowledgement of the Association accepting the role of collecting data from health providers for the state. Usually, said Mr. Whitley, the Health Division would submit a request for proposal (RFP) and would attempt to determine the average cost for an activity, but Great Basin Primary Care Association was chosen because it was the only agency in the state connected to federally qualified health centers that could provide the needed service.

Chair Carlton thanked Mr. Whitley for his comments.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT A13A0018, WHICH WOULD ADD \$2 MILLION IN TOBACCO SETTLEMENT FUNDING TO BA 3220 IN THE UPCOMING BIENNIUM.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Horne was not present for the vote.)

Ms. Freed stated that there were six other closing items and all items appeared reasonable to Fiscal Analysis Division staff.

The decision, said Ms. Freed, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve all other closing items and to authorize Fiscal Analysis Division staff to make any necessary technical adjustments.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE ALL OTHER CLOSING ITEMS IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3220 AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE ANY NECESSARY TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS.

ASSEMBLYMAN HAMBRICK SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Horne was not present for the vote.)

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HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH
MATERNAL CHILD HEALTH SERVICES (101-3222)
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH-100

Program Laura Freed, Senior Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), stated there was one major closing issue in budget account BA 3222, which was the consideration of adjusting the revenue and expenditure authority to permit the Health Division to process a fee increase for the newborn metabolic screening program. Ms. Freed indicated that in decision unit Enhancement (E) 228, the Governor recommended increasing the fee assessed for newborn metabolic screening from the current \$71 to \$75 in fiscal year (FY) 2014 and \$77 in FY 2015; the newborn screening (NBS) program was self-supporting.

Previously, said Ms. Freed, the program had contracted with Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU) to conduct the blood screenings for metabolic disorders. However, The Executive Budget was constructed with the Division terminating its contract with OHSU at the end of fiscal year (FY) 2013 and contracting with the University of Nevada School of Medicine (UNSOM) in FY 2014. Ms. Freed noted that UNSOM had been unable to acquire the

specialty equipment necessary to conduct the metabolic screenings. According to the timeline that UNSOM furnished to the Health Division, it did not anticipate beginning to conduct newborn screenings until sometime in the first six months of calendar year 2014. Therefore, the Health Division advised Fiscal Analysis Division staff that it planned to contract with OHSU for FY 2014.

Ms. Freed stated that because the Division was unable to utilize UNSOM services in FY 2014, and because of the higher prices charged by OHSU, the NBS program would have the same amount of operating funds as it had in the current fiscal year, even if the fees were increased to \$75 in FY 2014 and \$77 in FY 2015. Should <a href="The Executive Budget">The Executive Budget</a> be approved by the Legislature, the contracted price paid to OHSU would leave \$3 per screening to fund operating costs.

Ms. Freed stated that page 61 of Exhibit C contained the newborn screening revenue calculation. Because there were other operating costs included in the NBS program, if the revenue and expense authority were approved for BA 3222 predicated on the aforementioned fees, there would be a shortfall in the NBS program of approximately \$250,000 per fiscal year, after paying OHSU and funding other program expenses such as staff, information technology, other metabolic clinics, and other costs for the NBS program.

Ms. Freed stated that Fiscal Analysis Division staff had calculated that increasing the fee for newborn metabolic screening to \$81 in FY 2014 would yield \$3.4 million in revenue, which would be sufficient to fund OHSU contract costs and other operating expenditures for the NBS program. Ms. Freed noted that the authority to increase the fee existed in *Nevada Administrative Code* (NAC) 440.210. If the Subcommittees approved revenue and expenditure authority, the Health Division would be responsible for revising the regulation to increase the fee.

Ms. Freed stated that closing BA 3222 with revenues predicated on a fee of \$81 in FY 2014 and \$83 in FY 2015, and assuming the Health Division continued to contract with OHSU, would add \$251,168 in authority to the budget in FY 2014 and \$255,523 in FY 2015.

Per Ms. Freed, decision unit E-228 would also fund one new administrative assistant 2 position. The Health Division stated that the position was needed to conduct patient follow-up activities such as notifying the infant's primary care

physician about positive screening results, ensuring that a second metabolic screening occurred, and maintaining patient records for children with congenital and inherited disorders.

Therefore, said Ms. Freed, the decisions for the Subcommittees were as follows:

<u>Decision unit E-227</u>: Do the Subcommittees wish to approve the reduction of one health program specialist position from full-time to half-time to reallocate \$33,500 in screening fees to the program category in FY 2014 and \$35,011 in FY 2015.

Decision Unit E-228: Do the Subcommittees wish to:

- a. Approve the Governor's recommendation to add one administrative assistant 2 position, and sufficient revenue and expenditure authority corresponding to a fee increase from the current \$71 to \$75 in FY 2014 and \$77 in 2015.
- b. Modify the Governor's recommendation to increase revenue and expenditure authority corresponding to a fee increase from the current \$71 to \$81 in FY 2014 and \$83 in FY 2015 and add one administrative assistant 2 position.

Chair Carlton said under the Governor's recommendation in decision unit E-227, which included the adjustment of dollars, the position change, and additional fees, the NBS program would still suffer a shortfall of \$250,000. Ms. Freed stated that was correct.

Chair Carlton stated that under option "a," decision unit E-228, a deficit would remain because those fee increases were not large enough to account for the increased OHSU costs.

Ms. Freed stated that was correct. Option "a" with a fee of \$75 in FY 2014 and \$77 in FY 2015 would cover the contract with OHSU at the higher price, but that increase was not sufficient to cover the other operating expenses.

Chair Carlton said it appeared option b would address the higher contract price with OHSU and would cover the additional operating expenses. Ms. Freed stated that was correct, and the Health Division agreed with that option.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN BOBZIEN MOVED TO APPROVE DECISION UNIT E-228, OPTION B, BY MODIFYING THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO INCREASE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY CORRESPONDING TO A FEE INCREASE FROM THE CURRENT \$71 TO \$81 IN FY 2014 AND \$83 IN FY 2015 IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3222.

## SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

Assemblyman Hambrick asked about newborn testing when parents could not afford to pay the fee. He wondered about parents being forced to pay a fee they could not afford or newborns not being tested because parents could not pay the fee.

Ms. Freed explained that the newborn testing fee was rolled into the final hospital bill, and was not paid directly by the consumer.

Richard Whitley, Administrator, Health Division, Department of Health and Human Services, concurred. He noted that the fee was actually charged to the hospital rather than the consumer.

Assemblyman Bobzien emphasized the importance of patient follow-up and funding the requested administrative assistant 3 position would help the Division conduct patient follow-up activities such as ensuring that a second metabolic screening was conducted for newborns with positive screening results, which was crucial. Mr. Bobzien said that was the spirit of his motion, to ensure that the position was funded.

Chair Carlton called for a vote on the motion before the Subcommittees.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Hickey was not present for the vote).

Ms. Freed reminded the Subcommittees that a decision was also needed regarding decision unit E-227. The decision was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve the reduction of one health program specialist position from

full time to half time to reallocate \$33,500 in screening fees to the program category in FY 2014 and \$35,011 in FY 2015.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE THE REDUCTION OF ONE HEALTH PROGRAM SPECIALIST POSITION FROM FULL TIME TO HALF TIME TO REALLOCATE \$33,500 IN SCREENING FEES TO THE PROGRAM CATEGORY IN FY 2014 AND \$35,011 IN FY 2015, AS RECOMMENDED IN DECISION UNIT E-227, BUDGET ACCOUNT 3222.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Senator Kieckhefer and Assemblyman Hickey were not present for the vote.)

Ms. Freed said there were five other closing items, and all appeared reasonable to Fiscal Analysis Division staff.

Ms. Freed noted that technical adjustments had been made in closing item 2, decision unit E-710, replacement equipment. After consulting with the Health Division, two revisions were made: (1) four computers were eliminated from the decision unit that were designated for the Home Visiting program, which left one computer for replacement in FY 2015; and, (2) one computer was reduced from the information services category that was designated for the Maternal Child Health program. Ms. Freed said with the technical adjustment, decision unit E-710 appeared reasonable.

Also, said Ms. Freed, closing item 5 was the transfer-in of the Suicide Prevention program, decision units E-506 and E-906. That transfer was approved in closing the Department of Health and Human Services, Director's Office budget on April 2, 2013, and decision units E-227 and E-228 were companions to that action.

The decision, said Ms. Freed, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve other closing items, including Fiscal Analysis Division staff's technical adjustments, and authorize Fiscal Analysis Division staff to make any additional technical adjustments.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN KIRNER MOVED TO APPROVE OTHER CLOSING ITEMS IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3222, INCLUDING TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS BY FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF, AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE ANY ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Senator Kieckhefer and Assemblyman Hickey were not present for the vote.)

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HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH
COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES (101-3224)
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-PUBLIC HEALTH-121

Laura Freed, Senior Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), stated there were two major closing issues in budget account (BA) 3224.

Ms. Freed stated that decision unit Enhancement (E) 225 recommended the elimination of four community health nurse positions, equating to 3.25 full-time-equivalent (FTE) positions. The Community Health Nursing program no longer received Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) transfers from the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services, and the Preventive Health and Human Services (PHHS) Block Grant funding had been reduced. The net reduction in expenditures was \$119,177 over the biennium.

The decision, said Ms. Freed, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve the elimination of four community health nurse positions (3.25 FTE) as recommended in decision unit E-225, for a total net savings of \$119,177 over the biennium.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN KIRNER MOVED TO APPROVE THE ELIMINATION OF FOUR COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE POSITIONS EQUATING TO 3.25 FTE POSITIONS AS RECOMMENDED IN DECISION UNIT E-225, BUDGET ACCOUNT 3224, FOR A TOTAL NET SAVINGS OF \$119,177 OVER THE BIENNIUM.

SENATOR SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Hickey was not present for the vote.)

Ms. Freed stated that the second closing item was the addition of three full-time-equivalent (FTE) administrative assistant 1 positions for the Lyon County community health nursing clinics. Lyon County requested that the state hire the staff for the clinic, and it would pay for the positions in its contracted rate with the Health Division. Ms. Freed said the Governor's recommendation was to fund the positions with a combination of General Funds, service charges, and expenditure reductions in program categories.

Ms. Freed noted that in follow-up communications subsequent to the budget hearing, the Division advised that the funding reflected in <a href="The Executive Budget">The Executive Budget</a> was incorrect, and the decision unit should be entirely funded by county reimbursements. Therefore, said Ms. Freed, Fiscal Analysis Division staff had adjusted the funding in the decision unit, which reduced General Fund appropriations by \$116,971 over the biennium. The cost of the three administrative assistant 1 positions would be built into the contract between the Health Division and Lyon County for the upcoming biennium.

The decision, said Ms. Freed, was whether the Subcommittees wished to approve the addition of three administrative assistant 1 positions to the Lyon County community health nursing clinics as recommended in decision unit E-225, funded by a total of \$237,003 in county reimbursements over the biennium, thereby reducing the General Fund appropriation by \$116,971.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN KIRNER MOVED TO APPROVE THE ADDITION OF THREE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT 1 POSITIONS TO THE LYON COUNTY COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSING CLINICS IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3224, AS RECOMMENDED IN DECISION UNIT E-225, FUNDED BY A TOTAL OF \$237,003 IN COUNTY REIMBURSEMENTS OVER THE BIENNIUM, THEREBY REDUCING THE GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION BY \$116,971.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Hickey was not present for the vote).

Ms. Freed indicated that there were three other closing items in BA 3224, and all appeared reasonable to Fiscal Analysis Division staff. Item number 3 recommended the transfer of the community health nursing manager position to the Health Administration budget account. Because the Subcommittees had approved the consolidation of the Mental Health portion of the Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services with the Health Division to create the new Division of Public and Behavioral Health, the decision unit should be approved. Ms. Freed noted that the companion decision unit in BA 3223 had also been approved.

Ms. Freed stated that the Fiscal Analysis Division recommended approval of other closing items, and authority to make any necessary technical adjustments.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE OTHER CLOSING ITEMS IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3224 AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE ANY NECESSARY TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Hickey was not present for the vote.)

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Laura Freed, Senior Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), stated there were no major closing issues in budget account (BA) 4547.

Ms. Freed indicated that other closing items included the cost allocation of the licensing system technology improvement request (TIR) in decision unit Enhancement (E) 581. The companion decision unit was approved in BA 3216.

Per Ms. Freed, information was provided to the Subcommittees regarding revenue projections because the base budget included a transfer to the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency (SAPTA), BA 3170, for priority access to drug treatment for families referred by the Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS). In fiscal year (FY) 2012, said Ms. Freed, \$700,000 was transferred and in FY 2013 only \$350,000 would be transferred because of declining application revenues within the program. Ms. Freed said The Executive Budget maintained that transfer to SAPTA at \$350,000 in FY 2014 and \$300,000 in FY 2015. According to Ms. Freed, the information was provided for the Subcommittees' information and no action was required.

Ms. Freed stated that the Fiscal Analysis Division recommended approval of BA 4547 as recommended by the Governor, including authority for Fiscal Analysis Division staff to make any necessary technical adjustments.

Chair Carlton referred to the Division's enforcement of the "one application per person" rule, which permitted only one person at a time to apply for a medical marijuana card through a physician, which apparently had been initiated through the regulatory process.

Richard Whitley, Administrator, Health Division, Department of Health and Human Services, stated that the rule had been established through policies and procedures.

Chair Carlton asked Mr. Whitley whether the Health Division would consider requests from reputable doctors or others with reputable licenses to allow more than one person at a time to apply for a medical marijuana card. The doctors

and other persons could then walk their patients through the process and eliminate multiple steps because it was difficult to deal with cancer at an advanced stage. Chair Carlton said there were many healthcare options available for cancer patients, and she asked whether the Health Division would consider those options in its policies and procedures.

Mr. Whitley said that he would consider those options. The Health Division had not received any requests for multiple applications, but he would definitely change the policy to allow multiple applications.

Chair Carlton said she had discussed the issue with several oncology physicians who would like to help their patients through the process. She was unsure of the demand, but she would like doctors and patients to have that option.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were further questions from members of the Subcommittees, and there being none, the Chair called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN HORNE MOVED TO APPROVE BUDGET ACCOUNT 4547 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE ANY NECESSARY TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Hickey was not present for the vote.)

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Chair Carlton opened Public Comment and there was none.

With no further business to come before the Subcommittees, the Chair adjourned the hearing at 10:39 a.m.

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	RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:
	Carol Thomsen Committee Secretary
APPROVED BY:	
Assemblywoman Maggie Carlton, Chair	_
DATE:	
Senator Debbie Smith, Chair	
DATE:	

## **EXHIBITS**

**Committee Name: Committee on Ways and Means** 

Date: April 26, 2013 Time of Meeting: 8:36 a.m.

Bill	Exhibit	Witness / Agency	Description
	Α		Agenda
	В		Attendance Roster
* *	С	Brody Leiser, Fiscal Analysis Division, LCB	Closing List #4