



AK PT/OT Board - Legislative Committee Mtg - January 11, 2024

Alaska Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing
Jan 11, 2024 at 9:00 AM AKST to Jan 11, 2024 at 11:00 AM AKST
Juneau - Zoom

Minutes

1. Call to Order/Roll Call 9:00 AM

The Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Legislative Committee meeting was called to order at 9:01 am on Thursday, January 11, 2024 by Tina McLean. Committee members present are Enlow Walker and Tina McLean. Staff members: Shane Bannarbie, PC1 and Sheri Ryan, License Examiner.

2. Review/Approve Agenda 9:05 AM

No changes to the agenda. All in favor of the agenda as written.

3. Public Comment 9:10 AM

No members of the public connected to offer public comment.

4. Action Items 9:20 AM

- Pre-files are due 01/08/2024 and 01/12/2024. <https://akleg.gov/docs/pdf/2024-Prefiles-First-Release.pdf> No items on the pre-file list directly/indirectly related to physical or occupational therapy.
- 2024 session calendar -> <https://akleg.gov/docs/pdf/2024-Session-Calendar.pdf>
- Hearings scheduled for the following bills:
 - [SB74](#) - Physical Therapy Licensure Compact – Passed Senate 05/11/2023; Referred to House Finance 5/12/2023
 - [HB137](#) - Physical Therapy Licensure Compact – last heard 5/8/2023 House Labor & Commerce; Referred to Finance 5/9/2023
 - [HB85](#) - Professional Licensing; Temp Permits – last heard 4/11/2023 House Military & Veterans' Affairs; Referred to Finance 4/2/2023
 - [SB83](#) - Professional Licensing; Temp Permits – last heard 4/17/2023 Senate Labor & Commerce; Referred to Finance 4/19/2023.

No upcoming hearings for the above bills scheduled as of 01/11/2024. Discussed procedure for filing board Letters of Support with the legislature through the Division Director, Deputy Director, and Legislative Liaison.

- Board testimony plan for bills above discussed. Bryan Murphy, Tina McLean and Rebecca Dean were previously designated by the board to testify for hearings on the bills listed above. Add to Feb 15-16 agenda to discuss modification of list due to Bryan Murphy resignation from the board as of 03/01/2024 and tier list of who will step

forward to testify at any hearing(s). 2024 Legislative Guidance for CBPL Board Commission Members handout sent 01/10/2024 to all board members contains guidelines for board member testimony and helpful tips and resources.

5. Next Steps

10:50 AM

- Sign-up for bill tracking of bills listed at https://www.akleg.gov/basis/btmf_login.asp to receive changes and hearing notifications, if needed.
- Continue to monitor the bill status of SB74/HB137 and HB85/SB83.
- Review 2024 Legislative Guidance for CBPL Board Commission Members handout on board testimony.
- Check second pre-file release due 01/12/2024 at <https://akleg.gov/> for any relevant bills related to physical/occupational therapy.
- Add agenda item for discussion at Board meeting February 15-16 for designated board member(s) to testify for SB74/HB137 and HB85/SB83.
- Next meeting January 25 →if no items on second pre-file release or hearings scheduled, cancel as of January 19.
- Meeting scheduled February 8 →if no items for discussion, cancel as of February 2.

6. Adjourn

The Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Legislative Committee meeting was adjourned at 9:26 am on Thursday, January 11, 2023.

Reviewed and approved by Legislative Committee 01/11/2024.