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Legislative Committee REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

January 28, 2011

1400 West Washington, Ste. 235 Phoenix, Arizona 85007

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular session of the Arizona State Board of Psychologist Examiners Legislative Committee was called to order by Dr. Karp at 7:03 a.m. on January 28, 2011. No Executive Sessions were held.

2. ROLL CALL

Committee Members Present*

Cheryl Karp, Ph.D. – Chair Bob Bohanske, Ph.D. Joseph Donaldson <u>Staff Present</u> Cindy Olvey, Psy.D., Executive Director

<u>Attorney General's Office</u>^{*} Jeanne Galvin, Assistant Attorney General

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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Dr. Bohanske moved approval of the minutes, seconded by Mr. Donaldson. Motion carried unanimously (3-0).

4. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, POSSIBLE ACTION, INCLUDING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE ARIZONA BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGIST EXAMINERS REGARDING SB 1254 AND SB 1240 PERTAINING TO BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS – Dr. Olvey

Dr. Olvey updated the Committee that two pieces of legislation (SB 1254 and SB 1240) came out this week. SB 1254 was introduced in its original form as reviewed by the Committee at the January 18, 2011, meeting. SB 1240 directs the Department of Health Services to include behavior analysts as a profession to be reimbursed for services. Dr. Olvey indicated that both bills are scheduled to be heard in the Senate Health Committee on February 2, 2011; the Board is scheduled to meet on February 4, 2011, to review both bills. Brandy Petrone of Goodman Schwartz Public Affairs, confirmed that

Dr. Cindy Olvey Executive Director

Staff

Megan Martin Deputy Director

Heather Duracinski Licensing Coordinator

^{*} Participated via telephone.

these bills are scheduled to be heard with an amendment to reflect changes presented to the Board's Legislative Committee. The Committee expressed concern that the bill is scheduled to be heard prior to the Board having the opportunity to consider the bill at the Board's next meeting scheduled for February 4, 2011, and asked if SB 1254 could be heard after the Board meets.

It was the consensus of the Committee that the Board's Executive Director write a letter to the Senate Health Committee Chairman requesting that the hearing of SB 1254 be postpone by one week in order to provide the Board the opportunity to consider this bill. Committee members discussed the proposed amendment to SB 1254 and asked questions of Drs. David Giles and Dan Davidson as well as Ms. Petrone. Committee members asked Dr. Olvey whether there are administrative concerns regarding SB 1254. Dr. Olvey responded that the cost of implementation needs to be carefully analyzed.

Ms. Petrone thanked the Committee and indicated the Senate Health Committee Chairman would be contacted to request that the hearing of SB 1254 be postponed by one week. Ms. Petrone and Dr. Giles further indicated that they would like SB 1240 to be heard on February 2, 2011, as scheduled. Committee members requested that the Senate hearing for both bills be postponed by one week in order for the Board to consider both bills prior to the Senate hearing.

Mr. Donaldson left the meeting at 7:39 a.m.

It was the consensus of the Committee that Dr. Olvey would send a letter to the Senate Health Committee Chairman to request that the hearing of SB 1254 be postponed by one week. In addition, the letter should reflect that the Committee takes a neutral position on whether SB 1240 should be heard as scheduled. The Committee discussed presentation of information for the upcoming Board meeting.

5. SCHEDULE NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING, IF NECESSARY

The Committee indicated a future meeting could be scheduled when necessary.

6. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Committee, a motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Bohanske, and seconded by Dr. Karp. The motion carried (2-0). The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Bohanske, Ph.D.DateCommittee Member