

Commission To Develop a Pilot Program To Provide Legal Representation to Families in the Child Protection System

Second Meeting

Monday, August 22, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

State House, Room 228 (AFA Committee Room)*

*The meeting will be streamed live at the following link: <https://legislature.maine.gov/Audio/#228>

AGENDA

- I. Welcome (*Commission co-chairs*)
- II. Responses to Information Requests:
 - a. Data on DHHS Investigations (*Dr. Landry*)
 - b. Program design and outcomes of other pre-petition legal representation programs—information gathered to date (*Legislative Staff*)
- III. Potential sources of federal funding
 - a. Court Improvement Program (*Betsy Boardman, Maine Judicial Branch*)
 - b. Title IV-E of the Social Security Act (*Legislative Staff*)
- IV. Pre-petition representation programs in civil legal services organizations
 - a. Alyssa Rao, Equal Justice Fellow Attorney, Greater Boston Legal Services
 - b. Ronald Baze, General Counsel Oklahoma Dept. of Human Services (to discuss the Family Representation Contract with Legal Aid Services of Oklahoma)
- V. Discussion of Next Steps (*Commission Members*)
- VI. Request for public comment (*Commission co-chairs*)