

Advocacy Update

April Policy Committee

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HB 427- Elimination of Sub-Minimum Wage

- Held first hearing in the House Government Oversight Committee this morning
 - Not an anticipated committee; selected for the ability to hold contentious hearings
- Sponsor testimony only
 - [Rep Jarrells' testimony](#)
 - [Rep Lipps' testimony](#)
- Not sure when next hearing for proponent/opponent testimony will happen
- Still have concerns about the disconnect between language of the bill and what has been communicated by the sponsors
- Long way to go in the process
 - [LSC analysis](#)
 - [Bill language](#)

HB 465- Lauren's Law

- Would allow families to set up cameras in bedrooms of ICFs and create a service that allows parents to be paid caregivers regardless of age
- Held first hearing in the House Families and Aging Committee
 - Sponsor testimony only- [Rep Carruthers' testimony](#)
- Second hearing (proponent testimony) is scheduled for tomorrow at noon
- Sounds like the bill could be expedited through the House but questions on if the Senate will take up the bill
 - [LSC analysis](#)
 - [Bill Language](#)

SB 213- Supported Decision Making

- Formalizes the supported decision making framework as an alternative to guardianship
- Had first hearing in the Senate Judiciary Committee a few weeks ago
 - Sponsor testimony only- [Sen Cirino testimony](#)
 - Has not been scheduled for opponent/proponent/interested part testimony
- [LSC analysis](#)
- [Bill language](#)

EVV

- Changes anticipated in July
- Split current rule into 4 rules
- Inclusion of residential respite services and nursing delegation
- Removal of GPS requirement
 - Beneficiaries must “opt-in” to the use of GPS with written consent if they want GPS used
- State-provided system will no longer be sent to beneficiaries- providers must request the system
- See more information -
<https://dam.assets.ohio.gov/image/upload/medicaid.ohio.gov/Providers/EVV/Presentation/EVV%20Stakeholder%20Engagement%20Jan%2019.2024.pdf>