



HCR 358 Task Force Recommendations

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Presentation Goal

To provide an orientation regarding the HCR 358 Task Force recommendations. Should the recommendations be supported, discuss how to potentially move these to implementation



Introduction, HCR 358 Task Force Members

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Introduction, HCR 358 Goals as per the Resolution:

1. Solicit public input, examine methods other than the procurement code
2. In overseeing expenditures, checks & balances
3. Review selection of PEG advisory board members
4. Take into account first amendment rights



HCR 358 Orientation

- Report to be submitted 20 days prior to convening regular session 2009
- Outstanding task force member proactive participation, start June 30
- Concrete, practical recommendations
- Report submitted December 19, 2008



Five Policy Recommendations, based on public input & analysis of regulatory, legislative framework:

1. Exempt designation of PEG access organizations from the State Procurement Code ("SPC") provisions



Five Policy Recommendations, based on public input & analysis of regulatory, legislative framework:

2. Should Legislature not exempt from SPC, exempt administratively from competitive procurement, as not practicable or advantageous to the State



Five Policy Recommendations, cont.:

3. Adopt Administrative Rules for designation of PEG Access organizations - similar to process used by DCCA for cable franchises. Well understood by DCCA and the public. Provide for public input, allowing interested parties to intervene. Sample rules - Exhibit "C"



Five Policy Recommendations, cont.:

4. Require each PEG access organization to provide its process for board member selection and any changes proposed for public comment, though DCCA not authorized to require changes.



Five Policy Recommendations, cont.:

5. PEG access organizations are to provide info regarding past performance and proposed practices to ensure PEG access supports diversity of viewpoints, and non-discriminatory first amendment rights of the people of the local communities they serve. Public comment to be encouraged. Included as part of renewal process



Summary

1. Exempt from Procurement Code
2. If not, exempt administratively from competitive bidding
3. Adopt administrative rules such as DCCA administers with cable franchises, with public input
4. Board member selection public review
5. Ensure PEG access supports diversity of viewpoints, and non-discriminatory first amendment rights



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Q&A



Thank you!