

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
SENATE HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE

March 14, 2012

1:37 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Senator Bettye Davis, Chair
Senator Kevin Meyer
Senator Fred Dyson

MEMBERS ABSENT

Senator Dennis Egan
Senator Johnny Ellis

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

CONFIRMATION HEARINGS

Board of Marital and Family Therapy
Reverend John Downing

State Medical Board
Camille Carlson
Dr. Elizabeth Kohnen
Dr. David Miller
Dr. David Powers

Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority Board of Trustees
Larry Norene

Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives
Cheryl Corrick

Board of Nursing
Rochelle Lehrer
Denise Valentine

Occupational Safety & Health Review Board
James Montgomery, Jr.
Timothy Sharp

Board of Examiners in Optometry
Dr. Forrest Messerschmidt

Board of Pharmacy

John Cotter
Lori DeVito
Christopher Kim
Theodore Mala, Jr.

State Physical Therapy & Occupational Therapy Board

David Carey
Kathleen Lind
James Parietti

Board of Professional Counselors

Lillian Mitchell

Board of Psychologist & Psychological Associate
Examiners

Al Levy
Christian Muntean
Joel Wieman

Board of Social Work Examiners

Marilyn Kerr

- CONFIRMATIONS ADVANCED

PREVIOUS COMMITTEE ACTION

No previous action to record

WITNESS REGISTER

KAREN PURDUE, CEO and President
Alaska State Hospital and Nursing Home Association
POSITION STATEMENT: Testified in support of Dr. Elizabeth
Kohnen, an appointee to the State Medical Board.

ACTION NARRATIVE

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CHAIR BETTYE DAVIS called the Senate Health and Social Services
Standing Committee meeting to order at 1:37 p.m. Present at the
call to order were Senators Meyer, Dyson, and Chair Davis.

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CHAIR DAVIS announced that a Confirmation Hearing was before the
committee. The following is the list of the governor's
appointments:

Board of Marital and Family Therapy: Reverend John Downing; Eagle River

State Medical Board: Camille Carlson - Fairbanks; Dr. Elizabeth Kohnen - Fairbanks; Dr. David Miller - Juneau; Dr. David Powers - Dillingham

Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority Board of Trustees - Larry Norene - Eagle River

Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives - Cheryl Corrick - Fairbanks

Board of Nursing - Rochelle Lehrer - Fairbanks; Denise Valentine - Anchorage

Occupational Safety & Health Review Board - James Montgomery, Jr. - Kenai; Timothy Sharp - Fairbanks

Board of Examiners in Optometry - Dr. Forrest Messerschmidt - Juneau

Board of Pharmacy - John Cotter - Fairbanks; Lori DeVito - Soldotna; Christopher Kim - Anchorage; Theodore Mala, Jr. - Anchorage

State Physical Therapy & Occupational Therapy Board - David Carey - Anchorage; Kathleen Lind - Anchorage; James Parietti - Chugiak

Board of Professional Counselors - Lillian Mitchell - Anchorage

Board of Psychologist & Psychological Associate Examiners - Al Levy - Anchorage; Christian Muntean - Anchorage; Joel Wieman - Anchorage

Board of Social Work Examiners - Marilyn Kerr - Anchorage

CHAIR DAVIS requested that the Senate Health and Social Services Committee members sign the confirmation report.

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KAREN PURDUE, CEO and President of the Alaska State Hospital and Nursing Home Association, testified in support of Dr. Elizabeth Kohnen, an appointee to the State Medical Board.

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CHAIR DAVIS closed public testimony.

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There being no further business to come before the committee, Chair Davis adjourned the Senate Health and Social Services Committee at 1:40 p.m.