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These files contain background, support, and reference material collected by the task force as well as material collected for the statewide meetings conducted by the task force. Additional material is archived on the House Majority website, now available at https://wayback.archive-it.org/org-305/20121230034031/http://housemajority.org/coms/anw/anw_background_26.php

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 2. Presenters
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