

CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD  
LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE

**MEETING AGENDA**

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

*Location:* RSD Conference Room., 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, West Hollywood City Hall  
8300 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069

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**I. CALL TO ORDER:**

**II. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

**III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**A. Brief updates from staff regarding the following:**

1. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Provider Conscience Clause
2. Pending Recommendations to the City Council in support of:  
AB 56: Health Care coverage: Mamographies (Portantino), AB 98: Maternity Services ( De La Torre), AB 16: Human Trafficking Penalties Act (Swanson) & AB 17: Human Trafficking Accountability Act ( Swanson)
3. Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act (S. 181) and the Paycheck Fairness Act (S. 182), H.R. 11 and H.R. 12

**B. Subcommittee Legislative Priorities & Guidelines**

Brief recap of subcommittee guidelines for reviewing legislation. Discussion of ways to maximize the Board's advocacy efforts.

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Review of New State Legislation Affecting Women**

The Subcommittee will review of bills introduced in the State Legislature and Congress that address the Women's Advisory Board's stated legislative priorities of women's health, violence against women and pay equity.

**Women's Health**

**H.R. 20 (Rush) /S.324 (Menendez) Melanie Blocker Stokes MOTHERS Act (Mom's Opportunity to Access Health, Education, Research, and Support for Postpartum Depression Act)**

*To provide for research on, and services for individuals with, postpartum depression and psychosis.*

**H.R. 293 (Buyer)**

*To direct the Secretary of Labor to carry out a grant program to provide reintegration services through programs and facilities that emphasize services for homeless women veterans and homeless veterans with children.*

**AB 119 (Jones) Health Care Coverage: Pricing/ SB 54 (Leno)**

*This bill would prohibit health insurers from charging a premium, price, or charge differential because of the sex of specified individuals, even if the premium, price, or charge differential is based on statistical and actuarial data or sound underwriting practices. Currently, "gender rating" health insurance rates have led women to pay as much as 39% more for health coverage than men.*

**Violence Against Women**

**S.237 (Leahy)**

*A bill to amend the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 and the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to improve assistance to domestic and sexual violence victims and provide for technical corrections.*

**Recommendation:** Review and Discussion. Make recommendations for possible action by the WAB as appropriate.

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

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