Commission on the Status of Persons with Disabilities Disability Employment Subcommittee Meeting Meeting Agenda

Date of Meeting: Monday, February 26, 2024 **Time:** 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM **Virtual:** <u>Zoom Link</u>

This is a meeting of the **Disability Employment Subcommittee** of the permanent Commission on the Status of Persons with Disabilities. This subcommittee will collect data and analyze initiatives that increase employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities in private employment and in state government.

Agenda

- 1. Welcome, Roll Call, and Introductions
- 2. Inspirational Quote provided by Gyasi Burks-Abbott: "*The greatest impediment to a person's taking full part in his society are not his physical flaws, but rather the tissue of myths, fears, and misunderstandings that society attaches to them.*" By Robert F. Murphy from The Body Silent: The Different World of the Disabled.
- 3. Focus on FY24 Goal: identify and facilitate at least one opportunity (e.g., event, speaking engagement, information dissemination) to engage and educate at least 100 small and medium businesses/employers on the value of including people with disabilities in the workplace, available community resources, and recognition of effective employer practices.
- 4. Adjournment

Meeting information:

- Meeting will be held virtually via Zoom webinar and live streamed for the public at <u>https://malegislature.gov/Commissions/Detail/567/Hearings</u>
- Zoom link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82522093098</u>
- ASL and CART interpretation services have been requested.
- CART URL: <u>https://www.streamtext.net/player?event=StatehouseADA</u>

• For accessibility requests and other questions, contact Imene Bouziane Saidi at <u>imene.bouzianesaidi@mass.gov</u>

Meeting Documents (attached and linked)

- January 2024 meeting minutes
- WorkAbility Report Suggestions Trackers <u>https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1_4mOrvC9clINJPvqupyCgJXE47y</u> <u>vfnlz/edit#gi d=330415400</u>
- The Grid <u>https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1_4mOrvC9clINJPvqupyCgJXE47y</u> <u>vfnlz/edit#gi d=330415400</u>

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- To view details from previous meetings, visit: <u>https://www.mass.gov/orgs/permanent-commission-on-the-status-of-persons-with-disabilities</u>