

be shared with the community for input, along with hopefully a fact sheet or frequently asked questions.

Public Comments

Chair Suggs shared that two emails were received with numerous questions. The first was whether or not there would be a live question-and-answer session at the April 10th town hall meeting. There will be. The next question was about access to the meeting minutes, which will be posted on the website in draft and approved formats.

Another question was about outreach and how information would be disseminated to the community. This will be discussed once the regulations are completed. The law also requires an outreach campaign, so this will be accomplished. The next question asked about if someone doesn't pass the test and whether this would bar them from working. This is what the provisional license covers. The fifth question asked about heritage signers and marginalized interpreters who are not certified by 2025. This is covered in the law, and will be discussed during the regulations development, but also falls under the provisional certification and other pathways. More questions will be answered during the town hall meeting. In the meanwhile, all questions can be directed to gov.odhh@maryland.gov.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jacob Leffler

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- Options: Adhere to agency requirements
- Discussion:
 - Emergency situations
 - Maryland-based interpreters who work from home for other states.

To consider:

- Emergency situations (ER, disaster, weather, etc.)
- Temporary in-state work (filming, conferences, etc.)
- Volunteer interpreters (including religion)
- Other situations?