**December 1, 2020** 

AGENDA ITEM 10 C. INFORMATION ITEM

#### STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

### SELF-ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY

### Date of Meeting

November 30, 2020

## Meeting's Focus

The Self-Advocates Advisory Committee met on November 30, 2020 over Zoom. The Committee reviewed Council business relating to self–advocacy and discussed adjustments of life given the increase of COVID—19.

In preparation for the Presentation From the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights on their report: "Subminimum Wages and the Impacts on Civil Rights of People with Disabilities", SCDD Deputy Director of Policy and Public Affairs, Cindy Smith discussed members discussed the Section 14C of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) and the history and intent of the regulation. The discussion covered the need for more accurate data, what actions California can take to implement the recommendations layed out in the report, and challenge of having multiple approaches to addressing the issue of subminimum wage.

Committee members provided updates on what they have been doing since the September SAAC meeting. Members discussed their concerns about food insecurity, housing insecurity, employment, access to healthcare services, and the increase spread of COVID—19. A number of committee members talked about knowing someone who has been exposed to COVID—19, concerns about the number and accessibility of testing sites, the lack of availability of PPE, and concerns about the access to COVID—19 vaccines once they are available.

Committee members shared their concerns on the effect COVID–19 has had on access to support services and the overall health of people with disabilities due to prolonged issolation.

The Committee took the following actions:

# Item's Acted Upon

• Approved the September 14, 2020 meeting minutes.

# Future Meeting Dates

The Committee is meeting on January 25, 2021.