

# **COVID-19 After Action Report**

## **Overview of Policy Options**

Joint Subcommittee to Study The Commonwealth's  
Response to the Pandemic

October 29, 2024

1:00 p.m.

Senate Room 305 / A

General Assembly Building

# Overview

- **Twelve focus areas**
- **Fifty-eight total recommendations**
- **Approached through three subcommittees**
  - **Subcommittee #1- 21**
  - **Subcommittee #2- 31**
  - **Subcommittee #3- 6**
- **Initial policy options for consideration**

# Subcommittee #1

## Government and Regulatory Systems

Senator Scott A. Surovell, Chair

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Delegate Michael J. Webert

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Caren Merrick, Secretary of Commerce and Trade or designee





## Subcommittee #1 – Government and Regulatory Systems - Recommendations Overview

- **Six focus areas**
- **Twenty-one recommendations**

# Subcommittee #1 Policy Options

- **Business Continuity/ Continuity of Operations (3)**
- **Communications (1)**
- **Financial Management (1)**
- **Judicial/Policy/ Regulatory (6)**
- **Logistics (4)**
- **Technology (6)**



# Subcommittee #2 -Health Care Systems & Emergency Management

Delegate Mark Sickles, Chair

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Delegate Debra D. Gardner

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Jennifer W. Siciliano

Heather Jones M.D.

Janet Kelly, Secretary of Health and Human Resources or designee

Terrance C. Cole, Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security or designee





## Health Care Systems and Emergency Management Subcommittee - Recommendations Overview

- **Six focus areas**
- **Thirty-one recommendations**

# Subcommittee #2 Policy Options

- **Business Continuity/Continuity of Operations (2)**
- **Communications (6)**
- **Operations (6)**
- **Planning (6)**
- **Public Health/Local Health Districts (9)**
- **Volunteer and Donor Coordination (3)**





# Subcommittee #3 Education

Delegate Candi Mundon King, Chair

Senator Ghazala F. Hashmi

Senator David R. Suetterlein

Delegate Irene Shin

Katelyn Deel

Tara Dickerson-Anderson

Aimee Rogstad Guidera, Secretary of Education or designee



- **Six recommendations**

# Subcommittee #3 Initial Policy Options

- **Mental health support systems**
- **Community advisory boards and local engagement**
- **Hybrid learning models/mental health initiatives**
- **Communication/public information strategies**
- **Legal guidance and support networks**
- **Comprehensive plans for school closures**



# **Next Steps and Final Report**

# Proposal for Next Steps

## Subcommittee Review

- Each subcommittee develop final policy options
- Leverage members subject matter expertise
- Time frame for meeting: November

## Full Joint Subcommittee Review

- Review Subcommittee's recommended policy options
- Develop final slate of policy options for further action
- Time frame for meeting: December