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Chapter 57 - Library Services

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1            P R O C E E D I N G S  
2            **AMY PHILLIPS-CHAN:** If you cannot hear,  
3 it's recording in progress.  
4            **JAKE ALMEIDA:** Okay, good morning,  
5 everyone. I'd like to welcome you to today's  
6 Administrative Order 360, or AO 360 as we call it,  
7 input session on Chapter 57. Thank you for taking the  
8 time to join us.  
9            The purpose of this meeting today is to  
10 hear directly from you as stakeholders and members of  
11 the public regarding regulatory burdens or barriers you  
12 believe should be addressed as part of Alaska's AO 360  
13 reform project.  
14            Your input is critical in helping us  
15 shape meaningful changes that support our students,  
16 schools, and in today's case libraries, archives, and  
17 museums. To honor your time, the session will end  
18 promptly at the hour.  
19            These stakeholder meetings are  
20 opportunities for us to listen to your perspectives  
21 before any regulations by the department would be  
22 drafted, amended, or repealed. To clarify, this is not  
23 the formal public comment process under the  
24 Administrative Procedure Act, or APA. That process  
25 would begin later after draft regulations have already

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1 gone under legal review and formally approved for  
2 public comment.  
3            As part of our regulatory reform plan,  
4 the department must create a list of all the comments  
5 we receive during the stakeholder process along with  
6 whether we intend to implement each recommendation. If  
7 we do not adopt a recommendation, we are required to  
8 explain why not. So that's why your feedback is so  
9 valuable, and it will directly shape our analysis and  
10 inform of the next steps.  
11            So for the overview and timeline today,  
12 it will look like this. We'll first hear a short  
13 overview of the regulations for this meeting, then  
14 we'll move into the comment period where you may share  
15 your input.  
16            Verbal feedback will be recorded and  
17 summarized in the department's reform plan, and written  
18 feedback will also be accepted for 30 days following  
19 this session. And please refer to the links that are  
20 posted in the chat as I'm saying these steps out loud,  
21 and the information will be submitted for written  
22 feedback.  
23            So I will now turn it over to Dr. Amy  
24 Phillips-Chan, and she'll introduce her team that will  
25 walk through Chapter 57 and what -- the regulations of

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1 that.  
2            **AMY PHILLIPS-CHAN:** All right. Thanks,  
3 Jake, and good morning, everyone.  
4            I'm Amy Phillips-Chan, and I serve as the  
5 director of the Alaska State Libraries, Archives, and  
6 Museums. Thank you for joining us for this AO 360  
7 meeting on the LAM regulations.  
8            This morning is dedicated to comments or  
9 discussion on Chapter 57, which is library services,  
10 and this chapter cover -- oh, you know what, I'm going  
11 to talk about the chapter description. I saw Freya pop  
12 on, so then I'll introduce team members.  
13            But this chapter of regulations really  
14 covers the collections, programs, services, and grants  
15 of the Alaska State Library.  
16            And with me today I have a couple team  
17 leaders from the Alaska State Library, including Freya  
18 Anderson. Freya, if you want to wave, that's perfect.  
19 She's the head of information services and historical  
20 collections based here in Juneau. And I also have  
21 Valerie Kingsland who is our head of library  
22 development and public library coordinator.  
23            And we also have joining us a guest,  
24 Stacy, who is our OWL program coordinator who you might  
25 have worked with in the past.

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1            So I think we're looking in the chat.  
2 There might be a link, if you haven't seen them  
3 already, to the regulations for Chapter 57, Library  
4 Services, which are on DEED's webpage.  
5            And as you can look -- or consider these  
6 sections, we encourage you to think about whether the  
7 current regulations for library services creates  
8 unnecessary burdens, whether they meet today's needs,  
9 and what changes might better serve our libraries, as  
10 well as our museums and archives in Alaska as well as  
11 our students and schools, because we know it has a  
12 broad impact.  
13            And with that, folks, can we share the  
14 link to the regulations in the chat? I might have it  
15 myself. It looks like Kathijo is sharing there.  
16 Perfect. Thank you. So there are hyperlinks there in  
17 the chat to the Chapter 57 regulations for library  
18 services.  
19            And with that, I will pass it back to  
20 Jake who is going to share about how, if you have some  
21 comments or thoughts that you would like to share on  
22 the regs this morning, how you can do that in this  
23 process. So thanks, everyone.  
24            **JAKE ALMEIDA:** Okay, thank you, Amy.  
25 Yes, you should see in the chat, there was a link --

1 Brian, I apologize, I'm not seeing it. If we could  
2 post that link again for the verbal comment for anyone  
3 who would like to speak on the record right now. If we  
4 can post that link in the chat, that would be great.  
5 Here we go, thank you. Timed that perfectly.  
6 There was a link just posted in the chat.  
7 If you want to click on that, you'll just answer a few  
8 quick questions about your name and organization. And  
9 I'm looking at the page, so once your name pops up,  
10 I'll read it, and then you can unmute yourself and  
11 speak for two minutes or provide a written testimony.  
12 And just alternatively I'll mention right  
13 now, too, if you prefer not to use the link or if  
14 you're calling in on your phone, you can just hit the  
15 raise hand icon on your Zoom settings there, and we  
16 will also acknowledge you that way and give you a  
17 chance to speak for two minutes and just ask you to put  
18 your name on the record and any affiliations. So just  
19 putting that out there.  
20 You can click on the link to sign up,  
21 otherwise you can raise your hand right now, and we  
22 will just give you an opportunity to provide your  
23 public comment.  
24 (Pause)  
25 **JAKE ALMEIDA:** Okay, so I refreshed my

1 meeting for Chapter 57 of Department of Education and  
2 Early Development related regulations on today,  
3 Wednesday October 15th at 9:20.  
4 And if you're watching this recording  
5 after the fact and would like to submit feedback still  
6 on these regulations, you can always go to our website  
7 at [education.alaska.gov/ao360](http://education.alaska.gov/ao360), and we will ensure that  
8 it's submitted on the record that way.  
9 So thank you for attending, and we will  
10 close this meeting.  
11 (Meeting concluded)

1 page from the verbal sign-up link, and not seeing  
2 anyone raising their hands right now. So we will go  
3 ahead and just be on standby. And if anyone would like  
4 to raise their hand or click on the link to submit a  
5 request to give your comment, we will take it up as it  
6 comes. Otherwise, thank you so much.  
7 (Pause)  
8 **JAKE ALMEIDA:** Hello, just checking in  
9 again for anyone new that has joined our meeting. I  
10 would ask that you just refer to the chat. We have  
11 posted a link to request verbal comment to submit on  
12 this Chapter 57. And if you'd like to provide your  
13 feedback in writing, you can do that as well. And of  
14 course you can always just raise your hand to give your  
15 comment for two minutes, and we will acknowledge that  
16 as well.  
17 Again, this is for Chapter 57 of  
18 Libraries, Archives, and Museums regulations. And you  
19 can click on the links in the chat to provide verbal or  
20 written feedback or raise your hand. Otherwise, we  
21 will just be on standby and awaiting anyone that wishes  
22 to comment. Thank you so much.  
23 (Pause)  
24 **JAKE ALMEIDA:** Okay, so at this time we  
25 will go ahead and conclude this public stakeholder

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