### INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

# Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Thursday, September 10th, 2015

### Presentation Outline:

# 1. LIHEAP – State Inefficiency Background (15-20 minutes)

Cathy Hinko, Executive Director of the Metro Housing Coalition

- Background of your research and explanation of the issues you present
  - o Racial Disparity in allocating a federal benefit,
  - Give localities the flexibility to use funds for energy efficient rehab,
  - Policies cause metered areas returning funds increases inequities to low-income persons in metered areas and getting lesser shares in the future

### 2. Louisville Metro Community Services Experiences (5 -10 minutes)

Darrell Aniton & Robin Grammer of Community Services;

- representing Katina Whitlock, Assistant Director of Community Services
  - Provide information regarding Louisville Metro's experience with LIHEAP
  - Provide information on the money sent back, unspent in the last few years.

# 3. Community Ministries Input (5-10 minutes)

Marlon Cummings, Executive Director of Jeffersontown Area Ministries & Association of Community Ministries

• Speak to Ministries concerns

# 4. Proposed Solutions (10-20 minutes)

- Cathy Hinko to explain solutions suggested in Special Subcommittee on Energy
- Katina Whitlock to discuss other State programs and how to change state programs to make it equitable for urban and metered areas.

#### Other Guests invited to speak or answer questions if able to attend:

- Todd Trapp Cabinet for Human & Family Services
- Michael Moynihan Head of KY Community Action Councils
- Timothy Melton LG&E contact, History of shut offs
- Representative Tom Riner District 41, Special Subcommittee on Energy Member
- Senator Jared Carpenter Co Chair Special Subcommittee on Energy
- Representative Gerald Watkins Co Chair Special Subcommittee on Energy