

**MINUTES**

**MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
54th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

**JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES & AGING**

**Call to Order:** By **CHAIRMAN JOHN COBB**, on February 17, 1995, at 8:00 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. John Cobb, Chairman (R)  
Sen. Charles "Chuck" Swysgood, Vice Chairman (R)  
Rep. Betty Lou Kasten (R) \*\* same with this one  
Sen. Jim Burnett (R) \*\* Patti is this correct  
Rep. Beverly Barnhart (D)  
Sen. John "J.D." Lynch (D)

**Members Excused:** None

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Mark Lee, Legislative Fiscal Analyst  
Lois Steinbeck, Legislative Fiscal Analyst  
Connie Huckins, Office of Budget & Program  
Planning  
Douglas Schmitz, Office of Budget & Program  
Planning  
Ann Boden, Committee Secretary

**Please Note:** These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing: None  
Executive Action: Department of Health and Environmental  
Sciences  
Department of Family Services  
Department of Social Services and  
Rehabilitation

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**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND  
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES**

Mark Lee, LFA, addressed the present law adjustments from the Budget Analysis (1997 Biennium Vol I, Page B-171). He started

with item #4, EMS Consulting and Professional Services. He said the majority of this service is for trauma.

SEN. SWYSGOOD asked if the committee has already taken action on items 4 & 5. Mr. Lee said yes that item #4 failed and item #5 passed.

CHAIRMAN COBB said that REP. BARNHART wanted to re-do action on item #4 concerning trauma.

Budget Item: EMS Consulting and Professional Services

CHAIRMAN COBB said this is contracted services for emergency medical services projects.

SEN. SWYSGOOD asked if it was funded by 100% federal money. Mr. Lee said that is correct.

Mr. Lee informed the committee of a bill that has been presented by REP. WISEMAN that states if the federal funds are eliminated there will be some other mechanism that will pick up this program.

Someone from the SRS informed the committee that the bill presented by REP. WISEMAN will extend the trauma system. There are two parts in the funding, one for a more extensive system, and the other part is for authorization to allow hospitals to carry out the program whether there are funds or not.

Motion/Vote: REP. BARNHART made the motion to accept item #4 for Consulting and Professional Services. The motion CARRIED 3 to 2 with REP. KASTEN and SEN. BURNETT voting no.

Budget Item: Tumor Registry

Mr. Lee reviewed new proposals on Page B-172.

SEN. SWYSGOOD asked if this proposal is also federal money. Mr. Lee said yes.

Motion/Vote: REP. BARNHART made the motion to accept item #2, Tumor Registry. The motion 3 to 3 FAILED with CHAIRMAN COBB, REP. KASTEN, and SEN. SWYSGOOD voting no.

Budget Item: Federal Primary Care Grant

Mr. Lee reviewed table 9 on Page B-170 regarding Primary Care total federal funding costing \$180,039 per year. He said the adjustments that failed statewide present law adjustments in category "other" reduced the funding to approximately \$178,950 per year. He informed the committee if they want to take advantage of the federal funding in primary care, a motion is needed to add \$40,651 appropriation for each year.

**Motion/Vote:** SEN. SWYSGOOD moved to accept the \$40,651 for each year of the biennium to fund the Primary Care program to the level of funds that are available to receive federal money. The motion FAILED with REP. KASTEN, SEN. BURNETT and SEN. SWYSGOOD voting no.

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Budget Item: HUD Funds, Lead Abatement

Mr. Lee discussed the new proposal on Page B-172, item #3, HUD funds, Lead Abatement.

CHAIRMAN COBB asked the Bill Opitz, Deputy Director, SRS, about the request of \$1 million per year, and if they will receive the \$1 million the first year. Mr. Opitz said that is correct. The program will receive \$1 million in 1997. CHAIRMAN COBB asked Mr. Opitz if the program still needed the FTE. Mr. Opitz said they need the FTE for FY97 and not FY96.

**Motion/Vote:** SEN. LYNCH moved to accept new proposal item #3, lead abatement for \$1 million in federal money for FY97, and one FTE in FY97. The motion FAILED 3 to 3 with REP. KASTEN, SEN. BURNETT and SEN. SWYSGOOD voting no.

Budget Item: Health Care Authority

Mr. Lee reviewed Health Care Authority addressed on Page B-187, new proposal #2. He said there is currently a negative appropriation for this program of and they owe the state \$11,000.

CHAIRMAN COBB said this item needs to go back to zero and add the personal savings reduction that the committee had taken out of the budget earlier, because it doesn't exist.

Mr. Lee said proposal #2 was accepted as a reduction in operating expenses and there isn't any operating expenses in the budget for this program.

CHAIRMAN COBB asked Mr. Lee if the committee is to take the \$11,751 out. Mr. Lee said that is correct, because it is a reconsideration motion.

REP. KASTEN said the department requested the amount be put into the budget to meet their goals. Mr. Lee said if the committee would look at Page B-186, the table at the top of the page, the personal services that is requested by the department for this program for \$233,000 per year for personal services has been taken out by the committee. Mr. Lee said that this would also remove six FTE. He informed the committee they also need to discuss the Certificate of Need Transfer. The motion to be take is to reconsider the committee's previous action to take it back to zero.

**Motion:** CHAIRMAN COBB moved to reconsider the committee's previous action item #2, Personal Services reduction. CHAIRMAN COBB withdrew from his motion.

Mr. Lee informed the committee that the only action they have taken on health care authority was to take new proposal #2, which caused a reduction in their budget of \$11,751.

**Motion/Vote:** CHAIRMAN COBB moved to reconsider the committee's previous action on item #2, Personal Services reduction. The motion CARRIED 4 to 2 with SEN. SWYSGOOD and SEN. BURNETT voting no.

**Motion:** CHAIRMAN COBB made the motion to withdraw the committee's previous motion which will place the money back in.

Mr. Lee said the committee just voted to zero out the adjustment.

**Vote:** The motion CARRIED 5 to 1 with SEN. BURNETT voting no.

Budget Item: Certificate of Need

Mr. Lee referred to Page B-186 said in essence the present law for the certificate of need was transferred over to Health Care Authority. There are two FTE, and \$86,753, the committee needs to move back to the Health Services Division for the program to have any funding to operate. He said this is general fund.

REP. KASTEN asked if this can be taken care of in full committee. CHAIRMAN COBB said if the committee doesn't fund the program, the department cannot operate it.

CHAIRMAN COBB informed the committee there are four bills to be revived in full committee pertaining to health care authority.

Mr. Lee informed the committee that current statutes says the department has to administer the certificate of given need program. He said there would be no money nor FTE to perform the program. REP. KASTEN asked if no action was taken, will the certificate of need would stay where it formally was. Mr. Lee said when the OBPP and the department put the budget together this issue was transferred over into present law adjustment. He said the second half of this is hidden because it is over in health services. Mr. Lee said if the committee wants the certificate of need to have any funding they need to place the \$87,000 per year and the two FTE back into the health services. Mr. Lee said the action of the committee will transfer the certificate of need back to the Health Services Division. He said there is a proposal to expand the certificate of need program.

Connie Huckins, OBPP, said that currently the certificate of need was in the Health Services Division's budget. When the Executive put together the budget there was a recommendation in the present

law proposal to pick up the two FTE who were handling the certificate of need functions through general fund and move them over to the Health Care Authority. Then there was a new proposal to add additional FTE and additional funding to fully implement the certificate of need. By taking no motion, the committee did not accept the two FTE and the funding in the present law that was in the budget for Health Care Authority.

**CHAIRMAN COBB** said the committee needs to make the motion to accept present law and keep it in the Department of Health and Environmental Sciences.

**Motion/Vote:** **CHAIRMAN COBB** made the motion for present law \$86,753 for Health Care Authority stay with the DHES. The motion **CARRIED** unanimously.

**CHAIRMAN COBB** asked **Mr. Lee** if this reduced general fund. **Mr. Lee** said when the certificate of need or the general fund was moved out of the DHES, was not sufficient to do everything that was in the program. He said what should have happen is part of this general fund should have been lowered by \$25,000, and the amount in general fund in the Health Services Division should have been higher by \$25,000.

**CHAIRMAN COBB** asked if the committee should do anything at this time or not. **Mr. Lee** said if the committee doesn't do anything now it shouldn't balance.

**Budget Item: Montana Medical Genetics Program**

Page B-175 of the Budget Analysis 1997 Biennium, Vol. I

**CHAIRMAN COBB** said this is the program operated by the Shodair facility. He said every year they put a bill in to fund the additional increases. **CHAIRMAN COBB** suggested to them to place it in the budget because the bill passes every time it is presented.

**Mr. Lee** directed the committee to look at table 10 on Page B-175. He said the \$534,650 is the amount of appropriation that was actually spent in FY94 which doesn't match the funds coming in for the Genetics program. He said if they take the average dollars from FY93 and FY94 the amount would be \$549,042 for each year. He said to reach a fair balance of the fees coming in and the expenditures being appropriated the committee should add another \$14,392 for the Genetics program.

**Motion/Vote:** **REP. BARNHART** moved to accept the additional \$14,392 to balance the funds for the Genetics program for each year of the biennium, and a follow-up report to show the results of the program on how it works and the effectiveness of it at the next legislature. The motion **FAILED** 3 to 3 with **REP. KASTEN**, **SEN. BURNETT**, and **SEN. SWYSGOOD** voting no.

Budget Item: DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES for Personal Services, Inflation/Deflation, and Fixed Costs

Bill Opitz, Deputy Director for Department of Health and Environmental Sciences, distributed a handout stating the department has reviewed the budget items that have been left out from the committee's actions, and found three items that need to be addressed. The items are: 1) Personal Services for \$430,677 in FY96, and \$456,681 in FY97; 2) Inflation/Deflation is \$114,195 in FY96, and \$180,850 in FY97; and 3) Fixed Costs are \$259,720 for FY96, and \$210,778 for FY97. Mr. Opitz said he doesn't know of any other department that have not had any of these three items in their budgets. He said the effects of this involve the base programs, and there will be 10 to 12 people affected by this. He addressed page 2 of his handout giving the names of the various offices under the program numbers where the end results would be impacted. He gave an example of program 08, the Preventive Health Bureau, stating the impact would be \$204,374 for FY96, and \$229,892 for FY97, and it is 100% federal money, and the same with program 07. He said program 06 is a mixture of general funds, state special, and federal funds. Program 02, Centralized services is state special and priority funds or independent of indirect costs, and is the same funding for the director's office. EXHIBIT 1

Motion/Vote: SEN. LYNCH made the motion to accept the total present law adjustment on page 1 of Exhibit 1. \$804,592 for FY96, and \$848,309 for FY97. The motion CARRIED with 3 to 2 with CHAIRMAN COBB and SEN. SWYSGOOD voting no.

CHAIRMAN COBB asked Mr. Opitz what programs are in the Health Services Division. Mr. Opitz said the programs in 06 are the Food and Consumer Safety Bureau. He said this bureau does all of the licensing for local sanitarians, and etc.

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Motion/Vote: SEN. SWYSGOOD made the motion to remove the general fund from program 06, Health Services Bureau, for \$47,202 in FY96, and \$53,008 in FY97. The motion CARRIED with REP. BARNHART and SEN. LYNCH voting yes and the rest voting no.

Mr. Lee asked CHAIRMAN COBB by removing the general fund if he was to go through and adjust the expenses to back out. CHAIRMAN COBB said yes.

Budget Item: Program 07, Child Nutrition Program

Mr. Opitz said the child nutrition program is a \$10 million per year program with a total of 3.5 FTE. He said the .5 is a half time clerical position and asked that this be a full time clerical position and will be funded by 100% federal funds. He said the three professionals are a program manager, nutritionist, and a health educator which are supported by a half time person.

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He said most of the time when the three people are on the road the secretary is there for only one-half day.

**Motion/Vote:** CHAIRMAN COBB moved to accept the full time clerical position. The motion CARRIED 3 to 2 with REP. KASTEN and SEN. SWYSGOOD voting no. EXHIBIT 1 - page 3

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Budget Item: Program 06, Vital Records & Health Statistics Bureau

CHAIRMAN COBB said this issue was addressed earlier and they all deal with gathering data. EXHIBIT 1 - page 4

Mr. Opitz asked that this issue be reviewed by the committee to understand how it integrates with the present Tumor Registry with what other health care providers are doing.

Budget Item: DSRS and DFS

CHAIRMAN COBB said the committee will be addressing a committee bill that will direct the departments how much money and where the money will be spent. He said making recommendations doesn't mean the (departments) have to do it.

Lois Steinbeck, LFA, distributed a handout. On the back of the handout, page 4, is language proposed for DFS on items #14, 15, and 16. EXHIBIT 2

**Motion/Vote:** SEN. SWYSGOOD made the motion to accept the proposed language for DFS. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

Ms. Steinbeck informed the committee of another issue that has not been addressed and affects both the SRS and DFS. She asked if the committee would approve to provide the day care rate increases in one place in the budget as a present law adjustment. She said currently the day care is split in the Executive Budget with 1.5% in present law and the difference between the 1.5% and .50 cents per hour is in the new proposal. She said they both need to be placed in the new proposal or both in the present law adjustment. EXHIBIT 2 - page 4 item #17

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**Motion/Vote:** REP. BARNHART moved to place both day care rate increases into present law adjustment. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

Budget Item: Juvenile Corrections Division

Page B-122, Budget Analysis 1997 Biennium, Vol. I

Ms. Steinbeck informed the committee when this issue was first addressed that it would be considered in conjunction with the

Pine Hills School equipment. In considering the vehicle lease that was voted on, it was an addition to the present law for vehicles, and a reduction in lease, but this item was not included in the motion. She said this is 100% general fund and listed on page B-124 are some of the items purchased by the small increment in the budget, and will be included in the base.

**EXHIBIT 2 - page 4 item #17**

Hank Hudson, Director, DFS, explained the equipment is worn out and is a combination of a lawn mower and snow blower.

**Motion/Vote:** CHAIRMAN COBB moved to accept the equipment present law adjustment. The motion CARRIED 3 to 2 with SEN. SWYSGOOD and SEN. BURNETT voting no.

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Budget Item: Lewis and Clark County Health Department Contract

Page B-134, Budget Analysis 1997 Biennium, Vol. I

Mr. Opitz said when the department was created in 1987, a contract was made with the L & C County to ensure that elderly people and children were provided with transportation to doctor appointments, and etc.. He said in 1990 there were 1,633 units of transportation is one round trip. He said the numbers have decreased since that time due to the department not changing their reimbursement rate. He said they currently have 24 hours of transportation service per week from the county in lieu of the department providing an FTE. He said the county no longer transports senior citizens, only children in foster care, and those that are in the care of the state. CHAIRMAN COBB asked if this doesn't pass are going to pay for it anyway. Mr. Opitz said they are required to take the kids to a doctor if the foster parents cannot do it, i.e., if the foster parents are working, and etc..

**Motion/Vote:** CHAIRMAN COBB moved to accept the Lewis and Clark County contract. The motion FAILED 2 to 3 with REP. KASTEN, SEN. BURNETT, and SEN. LYNCH voting aye.

Ms. Steinbeck informed the committee that the present law adjustment for equipment, item 6 for Juvenile Corrections on page B-122, should be a positive \$7,789 in FY96, and a negative of \$26,418 for FY97. She felt that the committee should vote on the corrected amount.

CHAIRMAN COBB said if it is ok with the committee, they will withdraw their vote on item #7 for equipment.

Ms. Steinbeck said this will take \$26,418 out of the budget for the second year and adds \$7,789 for the first year.

**Motion/Vote:** CHAIRMAN COBB said the motion is to withdraw their motion on the first one and the new motion is to accept present law equipment adjustment, item #6 on page B-122. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

Budget Item: Foster Care Tribal Contracts

Page B-133 item 4c, Budget Analysis 1997 Biennium Vol. I

CHAIRMAN COBB said this issue was tied with a 3 to 3 vote in an earlier hearing. He said it is \$84,288 for FY96 and for FY97. It is 50% general funds and 50% federal funds. EXHIBIT 3

Mr. Opitz said this is administrative costs for providing child protective and foster care services on the reservations. He said the DFS is the single Title IV-E agency in the state of Montana that pays for foster care related costs. He said that tribes do not receive IV-E money. The only way the tribes can access IV-E money is through the state from the DFS. He said every citizen in the state is entitled to IV-E services including those people that live on the reservations. The law says that the state will make sure that IV-E services are provided on reservations. He said the state provides this in respect for the economy of the tribes. The department contracts with the tribes because the costs are driven by caseloads, i.e., so many workers, and so many cases. He said the \$42,144 of general fund money is the state's 50/50% share of the administrative costs of operating the costs on the reservations. He said if this isn't approved, the people are still entitled to IV-E services, and the department will still have to provide this. The department will stop doing something else to make sure this service is provided.

**Motion/Vote:** REP. BARNHART made the motion to accept the Foster Care Tribal Contract for \$84,288 in FY96, and in FY97. The motion FAILED 2 to 3 with SEN. BURNETT, SEN. SWYSGOOD and REP. KASTEN voting no.

Ms. Steinbeck said the motion they just made was to accept the Executive Budget present law equipment request as it is included in the present law budget. The present law budget for FY97 is lower than the base for expenditures in FY94, and the reason it shows as a negative in FY97. She said the committee did not cut any money from the budget, but implemented what is in present law.

Budget Item: Present Law Adjustments for Rent for DFS on Non-Assumed Counties

Page B-116, Budget Analysis 1997 Biennium, Vol. I

The committee was informed that the departments original request was for \$184,289 for the biennium. SB55 that has been introduced will have non-assumed counties will have the state assuming the costs for rent, equipment, and etc.. If SB 55

passes, the fiscal note developed for this bill takes into account the rent increases, and etc., instead of the department needing \$184,289 for the biennium to cover the department's increases in rent, they will only need \$80,277 for additional rent. When the leases run out, and the landlords increase the rent, the staff is moved from non-assumed counties to assumed counties that track where the population growth is. This is a fixed cost that will effect how services are delivered and where the offices will be located, and training.

The committee discussed another bill in full committee that will determine if this issue can be resolved at that time.

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EXECUTIVE ACTION ON  
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND REHABILITATION

Ms. Steinbeck distributed a handout on the remaining executive action to be taken by the committee for the Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services. **EXHIBIT 3**

Ms. Steinbeck said there are several issues in this handout that the committee directed the staff (LFA) to work on language for Program 05 - Child Support Enforcement. She said the committee gave Child Support Enforcement, general funds to operate the welfare reform activities. Part of the Executive proposal was understood that there would be general fund revenue rates due to the child support activities under the welfare reform. She said this is part of the Executive package to show the program is costing less general fund. Ms. Steinbeck said there are several options she can do. The revenue will show on the LFA status sheet that there is \$607,000 additional general fund revenue because of the Executive proposal. The committee can do one of two things: 1) require the revenue be deposited to the general fund, (she reminded the members when this program flexes revenue it will go into a state special revenue account), it can only go into the general fund if the committee directs it there; 2) the fund balance for the program isn't very high. She said the committee can mandate the department to place the \$607,000 that is to be collected from the program in FY97, she felt it is questionable on the state special revenue account balance. She said the program offered language that they could reduce the general fund in welfare reform, and increase child support enforcement state special revenue funds by a like amount. Ms. Steinbeck said the committee needs to decide if they want to require the deposit to go into the state general fund from the welfare reform activities, and continue the language that was in the bill session, or require a deposit to the general fund which the department will be able to track through this language because of an increase to the state special.

SEN. SWYSGOOD asked if this language will have an effect on the dollar amounts that are currently coming into the general fund due to the motion that was made yesterday. Ms. Steinbeck said yes, but the money will go into the state special revenue accounts.

Budget Item: Program 05 Child Support Enforcement

Motion/Vote: SEN. SWYSGOOD made the motion to reduce any cash balance in excess of \$500,000 to \$350,000 for the child support enforcement account. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

SEN. SWYSGOOD asked the department to furnish him with a report showing the increased money received from the committee yesterday for the child enforcement collection, and what their goals and expectations are, and what are the expected dollar amounts for each year of the biennium that was received from the committee.

CHAIRMAN COBB asked Ms. Steinbeck if she can establish language that states those that are not FTEs and contracted, but cannot "come in" as modified. Ms. Steinbeck informed the committee they don't need language to do this. She said it can be reflected in the LFA write-up for the appropriation's act. She said language can be placed that states the OBPP has the authority to create modified level FTEs. The committee's action yesterday should specify they did not include FTEs.

SEN. SWYSGOOD said his motion yesterday did not include FTEs.

CHAIRMAN COBB said items #1 to 3, and 5 through 9 have been requested by the department (SRS).

Dr. Blouke asked the committee to consider a request for a change in item #2, Program 01, Family Assistance Program. He suggested that the tracking be restricted to those persons who leave JOBS, as a result of employment. He said it is too difficult and costly to try to track everyone that leave JOBS for various reasons. Dr. Blouke read his language proposal which states "The department must require that JOBS participants {and insert} that leave the program due to employment, be tracked up to 1 year after their termination...".

CHAIRMAN COBB asked Dr. Blouke if maybe the department could request a random check from the program regarding employment. Dr. Blouke said it would be difficult, because currently only 15% of the AFDC population is in the JOBS program. He would like to report back to the committee the information the department will have gathered at the next legislature on the status of the welfare reform.

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CHAIRMAN COBB asked REP. BARNHART if Dr. Blouke's language is acceptable to be placed in Program 01, Family Assistance Program,

item #2. **REP. BARNHART** replied yes, and it is the consensus of the committee to accept this language. No vote was taken because **Ms. Steinbeck** said the LFA could adjust this when re-writing the proposed language.

{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Counter: 22.4; Comments: n/a}

**Motion/Vote:** **CHAIRMAN COBB** moved to accept the language for items #1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, and 8. The motion **CARRIED** unanimously.

**Ms. Steinbeck** addressed page 3 of Exhibit 3, stating the language that was included in HB2 from the last session is brought before the committee now regarding items that need to be addressed this session. She said that **Mike Hanshew, Administrator of the Developmental Disabled Division (DDD)**, asked that the language in item #12 be included in the bill. She said it will give the DDD the leverage they need when negotiating with the federal government for the DDD waiver program.

**Ms. Steinbeck** said that item #9 on page 3 of Exhibit 3, is standard language that has been in the bill for three bienniums regarding how much of the community service's block grant, HRDCs, must receive vs. how much the department can keep.

**Ms. Steinbeck** addressed item #10 stating this language has been in the bill for two bienniums. It mandates when a provider rate increase has been granted that the amount that is analyzed in the budget is the amount that was appropriated. She gave an example showing what can happen if the legislature cannot track the appropriations. She said if the legislature authorized a 2.5% provider rate increase and placed the funds in that pot, but the 2.5% provider rate increase was more money than was in the budget. This will allow the SRS and DFS to protect the legislature by documenting the amount of funds that were appropriated.

**Ms. Steinbeck** addressed the language in item #13 stating it could be confronted later in the day. She said in the last session the committee was concerned about the programs SEARCHS or TEAMS, would be taken off of the main frame computer. She said if this happens it will affect the state main frame rates charged to other departments, and the resulting savings to SRS could be more than offset by the increases to other departments. She said the language was a way the committee could assure themselves that statewide issues would be addressed through the OBPP. **Ms. Steinbeck** informed the committee she inserted additional language they may wish to consider regarding the purchasing of a mid-range computer for these programs.

**CHAIRMAN COBB** asked **Mike Billings, SRS**, if he could accept this language if the committee gave him back the money that had been taken out, so have ISD run the required program. **Mr. Billings** said yes.

**CHAIRMAN COBB** asked what was the total amount that the committee did not provide by not accepting the one or two contracts. **Mr. Billings** said it was \$288,447 for FY96, and \$288,447 for FY97, and the increased main frame cost for SEARCHS that was from state special revenue.

**Ms. Steinbeck** said the LFA looked at SEARCHS mainframe processing in table 17, Page B-78 of the Budget Analysis 1997 Biennium Vol. I, stating that the LFA left the total amount in before deflation. Her budget shows the total amount to be \$382,014 for each year of the biennium. **Mr. Billings** said the totals were prior to deflation. He said after deflation the totals amount to \$288,819 for FY96, and \$270,180 in FY97 for SEARCHS.

**CHAIRMAN COBB** asked the committee to adopt the language in items #9 through 12, and item #13 for contracted services will be a separate vote.

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Counter: 31.5; Comments: n/a.}

Budget Item: Proposed language for SRS, items #9 through #12, page 3 of Exhibit 3

Motion/Vote: **CHAIRMAN COBB** moved to accept the proposed language in items #9 through #12 on page 3, Exhibit 3. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

Budget Items: SRS SEARCHS FM Contract and Mainframe Processing charges

Motion/Vote: **CHAIRMAN COBB** moved to accept SEARCHS FM Contract for \$193,280 for FY96, and \$225,422 for FY97, on page B-78, table 17 to be adjusted for inflation. The motion CARRIED 5 to 1 with **SEN. LYNCH** voting no.

**CHAIRMAN COBB** asked **SEN. SWYSGOOD** to address item #15, page 4 of Exhibit 3. **SEN. SWYSGOOD** said he did not want the language to prohibit the SRS from looking at a cheaper way of providing computer costs whether private or ISD. He said there is talk of privatizing the ISD, and he did not want to encumber the departments at not having the opportunity to look at other options relating to computer programs.

**Ms. Steinbeck** thought there would be a proposal for this issue to be an interim study that would be handled through the Information Technology Advisory Council. She said that **CHAIRMAN COBB** and herself were involved in an interim study directed by the last legislature regarding HJR 48, which entailed if the privatization of the state mainframe was a good idea or not. She said the language in item #15 allows the department and OBPP to look at this issue from a statewide perspective. She said the SRS would probably save money, but the impact on other state agencies would cost more.

Motion/Vote: CHAIRMAN COBB moved to accept the language in item #13, page 4 of Exhibit 3. The motion CARRIED 5 to 1 with SEN. SWYSGOOD voting no.

Budget Item: Increase Dental Rates for Children's Services

CHAIRMAN COBB re-addressed the increased dental rates for children's services from yesterday's committee hearing. EXHIBIT 4

Motion/Vote: CHAIRMAN COBB moved to accept the increased dental rates for Children's Services for the general fund costs of \$257,304 in FY96, and \$287,952 for FY97, and the federal funds would be in addition to this. The motion FAILED with SEN. BURNETT, SEN. SWYSGOOD, and REP. KASTEN voting no.

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Counter: 40.6; Comments: n/a.}

Budget Item: MEDSTAT Program

CHAIRMAN COBB said this issue was addressed yesterday and failed, regarding the savings for the computer program.

Motion/Vote: CHAIRMAN COBB made the motion to accept the funding for the MEDSTAT program for \$221,431 in FY96, and \$324,239 for FY97, reduction in the Medicaid budget due to MEDSTAT, plus the general fund. The motion CARRIED 5 to 1 with SEN. LYNCH voting no.

Dr. Blouke wanted to be on record that the action taken on this issue today will be cutting services.

Budget Item: SRS Proposed language to fund personal services, operating, or equipment expenditures.

CHAIRMAN COBB asked Dr. Blouke if the language in Exhibit 5 is acceptable. Dr. Blouke said no. He said there are too many hurdles to go through by trying to do something innovative, that there is no incentive to do it.

Ms. Steinbeck said there is statute that gives the department the authority to transfer money among operating expenditures and between departments as long as the inter-departmental transfer maintains the original purpose of the appropriations. She said there was discussion in the committee earlier, but there wasn't any motion made to place language in the bill. She felt it was understood that the department had the flexibility to transfer the money under the statute.

CHAIRMAN COBB said if the committee does nothing, it will imply that the department can move the benefits into their operating budget. The language proposed on Exhibit 5 will allow this to happen under certain guidelines.

Motion/Vote: CHAIRMAN COBB moved to accept the language on Exhibit 5. The motion FAILED 2 to 4 with CHAIRMAN COBB and REP. BARNHART voting yes.

CHAIRMAN COBB said for the record that benefits cannot be moved into the operating budget.

Dr. Blouke said for the record that the department will report back to the next legislature subcommittee if this has been done and the results.

Ms. Steinbeck addressed a change that was made during the last special session in regard to the SRS on Page B-35, top paragraph, which allows the SRS to be exempt from the statute in the MCA, Section 53-6-101(9) which states, "if available funds are not sufficient to provide medical assistance for all eligible persons the department may set priority to limit, reduce or otherwise curtail the amount for duration of the medical services available under the Medicaid program". She said a section of statute that was passed during the special session, exempted the department from that requirement if they implement Managed Care. She asked the committee to respond if they wished to amend this statute with Managed Care which will allow the other section of statute to apply.

CHAIRMAN COBB asked if it would be better to wait for the bill go through full committee. Ms. Steinbeck replied yes.

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Counter: 53.5; Comments: n/a.}

Budget Item: SRS Alogorythem

SEN. LYNCH said that this will show when utilization is controlled they will have paid more than what was appropriated. If utilization is not controlled and they do not receive any appropriation it would be reduced by 95%.

Dr. Blouke replied if the department is wrong in their projection and utilization is reduced, the money will be refunded. SEN. LYNCH asked if that would be at 102.5%. Dr. Blouke said yes.

Motion/Vote: CHAIRMAN COBB moved to accept the Alogorythem. The motion FAILED with 2 to 4 CHAIRMAN COBB and REP. BARNHART voting yes.

CHAIRMAN COBB closed stating this is the last hearing of this subcommittee for the legislative session.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 9:15 a.m.

*John Cobb*

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REP. JOHN COBB, Chairman

*C. Barneman*

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CLAUDIA A JOHNSON, Recording Secretary

*for*

JC/cj

# HUMAN SERVICES AND AGING

## Joint Appropriations Subcommittee

ROLL CALL

DATE 2-17-95

NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Rep. John Cobb, Chairman	✓		
Rep. Beverly Barnhart	✓		
Rep. Betty Lou Kasten	✓		
Sen. Chuck Swysgood, Vice Chairman	✓		
Sen. J.D. Lynch	✓		
Sen. Jim Burnett	✓		

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES	SENT LAW	TOTALS	
		FY96	FY97
INVESTMENTS			
1 PERSONAL SERVICES		430,677	456,681
2 INFLATION/DEFLATION		114,195	180,850
3 FIXED COSTS		259,720	210,778
TOTALS		804,592	848,309
GRANTING			
GENERAL FUND		47,202	53,008
STATE SPECIAL FUND		136,791	155,967
OTHER FUNDS		358,541	427,530
PROPRIETARY FUNDS		262,058	211,804
TOTAL FUNDS		804,592	848,309

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND  
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SENT LAW SUBMENTS	PROGRAM 01		PROGRAM 02		PROGRAM 06		PROGRAM 07		PROGRAM 08	
	FY96	FY97	FY96	FY97	FY96	FY97	FY96	FY97	FY96	FY97
1 PERSONAL SERVICES	48,012	50,196	122,541	131,323	88,564	94,078	15,722	20,866	155,838	160,218
2 INFLATION/DEFLATION	249	383	33,759	55,228	15,176	21,637	33,297	51,759	31,714	51,843
3 FIXED COSTS	8,921	9,637	168,157	101,766	10,996	12,535	54,824	69,009	16,822	17,831
TOTALS	57,182	60,216	324,457	288,317	114,736	128,250	103,843	141,634	204,374	229,892
ADJUDGING										
GENERAL FUND					47,202	53,008				
STATE SPECIAL FUND			119,581	136,729	17,210	19,238				
GENERAL FUNDS					50,324	56,004	103,843	141,634	204,374	229,892
PROPRIETARY FUNDS	57,182	60,216	204,876	151,588						
TOTAL FUNDS	57,182	60,216	324,457	288,317	114,736	128,250	103,843	141,634	204,374	229,892

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PROGRAM 06 HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION - VITAL RECORDS & HEALTH STATISTICS  
BUREAU

NEW PROPOSALS

ITEM #	DESCRIPTION	FTE'S	AMOUNT	FTE'S	AMOUNT
2	TUMOR REGISTRY		138,342		120,249

This new proposal requests authorization to expend federal grant funds awarded to ensure enhancements in the Tumor Registry that will effect improvements in the completeness and timeliness of data collection and improvements in data quality.

Background:

The existing Tumor Registry was established in 1979. It is currently staffed by 1.5 FTE and has an annual operating budget of approximately \$46,000. The Tumor Registry routinely collects demographic, pathologic and administrative data on Montana residents who have been diagnosed and/or treated for cancer. These data are collected from Montana hospitals and independent pathology laboratories. The Tumor Registry has, for many years, lacked the resources to ensure minimum standards of data quality, completeness and timeliness; or to provide cancer surveillance and data analysis.

Federal Grant:

In early 1994, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) was authorized by Congress to implement the Cancer Registries Amendment Act of 1992, Public Law 102-515. This law made grants available to states to support the enhancement of statewide population-based cancer registries and to establish a National Program of Cancer Registries. In May of 1994 the department applied to the CDC for a grant under this Public Law. In October of 1994 the department received a one-year award of \$138,342, with the opportunity to receive continued funding for four additional years.

Department's Plan - FY96:

- > To automate data collection by assisting hospitals in implementing software that will improve the quality of the data entered by the hospitals.
- > To assist hospitals in implementing procedures that will effect reductions in backlogs in data reporting to the department; and in establishing procedures that will maintain acceptable timeliness in reporting in the future. The department will contract for services in this regard.
- > To improve utilization of the department's cancer data in the Tumor Registry by contracting for medical and analytical expertise to provide guidance in cancer prevention and control; and in seeking epidemiologic and research assistance external to the department to provide guidance in data analysis and reporting.

Source of Funds: 100% Federal - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention grant

PROGRAM 07 HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION - FAMILY/MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH BUREAU

NEW PROPOSALS

ITEM #	DESCRIPTION	FTE'S	AMOUNT	FTE'S	AMOUNT
4	CHILD NUT ADMIN SUPPORT	0.50	19,788	0.50	19,787

Overview:

The Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) has two major functions: 1) reimbursement of Head Start Programs, home child care providers and child and adult day care centers for meal services provided, and 2) providing nutrition education and meal planning guidance to providers and parents which enables participants to make wise food choices throughout their lives.

Accomplishments:

Approximately 25,000 Montana children annually participate in CACFP. These children are enrolled in 21 Head Start Programs (77 sites) and 80 child care centers (89 sites) which contract with CACFP for meal reimbursements. In addition, there are 13 sponsors of day care homes representing over 1300 family day care providers. Since 1992, CACFP has added two new Sponsoring Organizations of Homes and over 30 new centers (including our first Adult Day Care Center). This growth represents a 1/3 increase in contracted services to day care providers.

Need for and role of requested FTE:

The increasing work load and the necessity for field work by 3 of the 3.5 FTEs currently staffing CACFP requires a full time administrative support person to organize and manage office work flow. The additional 0.5 FTE will allow the office to have someone available at all times to effectively handle the increasing volume of work associated with federal reporting requirements, processing reimbursement claims, managing office duties and answering detailed questions involving administrative policies and procedures.

The USDA Regional Office has approved the current State Administrative Expense Plan which requests funding for an additional staff position.

Source of Funds: 100% Federal funds for program administration

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**RAMIFICATIONS OF SUBCOMMITTEE DECISION TO  
DISALLOW PRESENT LAW ADJUSTMENT FOR  
TRIBAL IV-E FOSTER CARE CONTRACTS**

The Title IV-E foster care program of the Social Security Act is an entitlement program via the federal government for children from families below the federal poverty level. Since the federal government has not provided the tribes direct access to IV-E funding, the tribes must access the funds via the state IV-E plan. Because Title IV-E is an entitlement program, the tribes must be able to access the funds; Montana cannot refuse the tribes access to these federal foster care funds.

The tribes access these funds via contracts with DFS under which the tribes receive federal funds for both foster care placements and administrative costs. DFS provides the match for the federal funds: 30% match for foster placements from the foster care budget; 50% match for administrative costs, partially from a line-item appropriation with the balance from DFS state administrative funds.

DFS currently contracts with five reservations and a contract with a sixth reservation will begin on July 1, 1995. The goal of the contracted services with the tribes is to provide services to Indian children domiciled on the reservation who are IV-E eligible. Necessary services include foster care placement, case management, foster parent licensure as well as foster parent and social worker training.

Action by the Human Services Appropriations Sub-committee resulted in a denial of the department's request for a present law adjustment in the amount of \$84,288. Of this increase, 50% (\$42,144) would be federal funding with the remaining 50% from the state general fund.

The appropriation for FY 94 and 95 was \$235,000 per year. In FY 94, the department expended \$151,172 with another \$46,238 expended for FY 94 between July 1 and December 31, 1994. Therefore, because of the late billings, the department requested a present law adjustment of \$84,288. The four contracts funded entirely from the line-item appropriation for FY 95 total \$215,000. The \$20,000 balance (\$235,000 - \$215,000) would be applied to those contracts whose state match for administrative costs is funded by DFS administrative funds.

The department has a legal obligation to comply with the terms of the contracts with the tribes. If the department does not receive the present law adjustment, the department must take funds from another category to meet those contractual obligations. This would reduce direct service payments by \$84,288.

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Remaining Executive Action - Department of Social and  
Rehabilitation Services

Budget Item/Program

LFA Budget Analysis

LEGISLATIVE ACTION NEEDED

*Eligibility Determination (Nonassumed County Field Staff)*

1. Personal services reduction (no motion) B 47
2. Language Attached
3. Transfer of Benefit Authority

DEPARTMENT ISSUES

- A. Offset fiscal 1996 primary care general fund costs with \$2.4 million excess state special revenue collected in fiscal 1994 and 1995
- B. Algorithm payment methodology

Language for Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services

Program/Language

Program 01 Family Assistance Program

1. "The AFDC payment level for the 1997 biennium must be established at no less than 40.5% of the federal poverty index."
2. "The department shall require that JOBS participants be tracked up to 1 year after their termination with the JOBS program as a condition of letting JOBS contracts with the department of labor and industry. Exemptions from this requirement include JOBS participants who are no longer Montana residents or JOBS participants who cannot be reached despite good faith efforts on the part of the department of labor and industry. The department shall report to the 55th legislature regarding the employment and earning status of former JOBS participants served by the department of labor and industry during the 1997 biennium."
3. "Funds in item [JOBS funds] must be used for a teen parent program."

Program 05 Child Support Enforcement

4. The subcommittee directed staff to work on language regarding the transfer of child support enforcement revenue to the general fund. The following language was included in HB 2 by the 1993 legislature.

"The state share of AFDC-related support collections and all AFDC and non-AFDC federal incentive payments and program-collected fees must be deposited in the state special revenue account from which

the state share of the administrative and operational costs of the child support enforcement program must be paid. The department shall transfer to the general fund from the child support enforcement account any cash balance in excess of \$500,000." 350, JTD

The department suggested that the subcommittee could also consider the following language for the welfare reform new proposal.

"The department may reduce general fund money in item [welfare reform] and increase child support enforcement state special revenue funds by a like amount."

The subcommittee could consider modifying language to require the reversion of \$11,746 in fiscal year 1996 and \$595,309 in fiscal year 1997 due to welfare reform efforts.

#### Program 06 State Assumed County Administration

5. "The department is appropriated funds for a pilot project in Deer Lodge County. The pilot project may include work, job training, subsistence payments, and preventive health programs for low-income people. The use of appropriated funds in item [county pilot project] is contingent on Deer Lodge County levying 12 mills for its poor fund for public assistance, protective services, and other benefits for low-income people."

#### Program 09 Operations and Technology Program

6. "Funds for item [welfare fraud transfer] are to fund welfare fraud investigation. The department of justice may hire FTE rather than contract for services if the department certifies to the office of budget and program planning that FTE are more cost-effective than contracted services."

#### Program 14 Developmental Disabilities Division

7. "Provider rate increases funded in item [developmental disabilities benefits] must be allocated between general operating inflationary increases and wage increases for the lowest wage, direct-care line workers of developmental disabilities providers. No less than 62.5% of the provider rate increase must be allocated to salaries for the lowest wage, direct-care line workers, and the remainder of the rate increase must be granted with no specific expense allocation."
8. "Funds in items [personal care in group homes and additional federal authority] may be used to match general fund money if personal care in group homes becomes a medicaid-reimbursable service or if other general-funded services become medicaid eligible. The department shall revert one-half of all general fund money refinanced through medicaid funding of personal care in group homes or medicaid funding for other developmental disability services and may not transfer any of the amount to be reverted to other uses in the department or in another department. The department shall separately track and document medicaid expenditures financed through items [personal care in group homes and additional

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federal authority] and submit documentation on refinanced expenditures and general fund reversions."

Language in the 1995 Biennium Appropriations Act that the Subcommittee may wish to Review

9. "The department is authorized to retain 7.5% of the federal community services block grant and pass through the remaining 92.5% to the human resource development councils (HRDCs). If during fiscal year 1996 or fiscal year 1997 the block grant falls below the federal fiscal year 1990 grant level, the department shall retain only 5% of the grant amount and pass through the remaining 95% to the HRDCs."
10. "The legislature intends that expenditures for all provider rate increases approved by the legislature be limited to the dollar amounts appropriated rather than the percentage increase on which the original estimates may have been based. The department will be in compliance with this provision if:  
(1) it estimates total cost for each medicaid service category in June prior to the beginning of each fiscal year of the 1997 biennium; and  
(2) the percentage increase or base adjustments approved by the department are limited to the dollar amount appropriated for each provider rate increase."
11. "The department shall implement 53-6-101(10) if medicaid expenditures exceed appropriations in [this act] in either year of the biennium."
12. "The department may pursue funding of any existing eligible state general-funded services under the federal ICF/MR program if the federal government fails to approve adequate medicaid waiver funding under the home- and community-based waiver program."
13. "If the department considers contracting for operation of the TEAMS or SEARCHS computer applications on a privately owned and operated mainframe or midrange computer *or if the department plans to purchase a midrange computer for the operation of these systems*, the department shall submit to the office of budget and program planning and to the legislative finance committee a comparison of the cost of operating the system on the state mainframe computer managed by the department of administration *or on a midrange computer owned by the department*. The department of administration shall estimate rate changes that would occur because of removal of TEAMS or SEARCHS from the state mainframe. If the office of budget and program planning determines that statewide cost savings are greater than the private contract cost savings *or savings because of the purchase of a departmental midrange computer*, the department shall operate TEAMS or SEARCHS on the state mainframe computer if continued operation of TEAMS or SEARCHS on the state mainframe does not conflict with federal regulations."

Italics represent wording changes that the subcommittee may wish to consider.

Language Proposed for DFS on 2/15/95

14. "Funds in item [crisis nursery project] may not be included in the base budget for the 1999 biennium."
15. "Funds in item [Pine Hills maintenance] may not be used for any purpose other than maintenance and repair of Pine Hills school. The department must obtain the approval of the engineering and architecture division of the department of administration before proceeding with repairs funded from item [Pine Hills maintenance]."
16. "The department must prepare a report for the 55th legislature on the activities and accomplishments of the local citizens review board pilot program in item [local citizen pilot project]."
17. OUTSTANDING ISSUES:

Lewis and Clark County Health Department Contract Amount  
\$15,000 general fund per year (p. B-134)

Present law equipment adjustment for Juvenile Corrections Division  
\$2,180 general fund in FY96 and \$3432 general fund in FY97 (p. B-122;  
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Legislative Action Compared to Original  
General Fund Executive Request

Department/Action	General Fund Change	
	Fiscal 1996	Fiscal 1997
Net Changes Made to General Fund—SRS and DFS	(\$9,936,385)	(\$17,985,541)
<u>Social &amp; Rehabilitation Services—Original Request</u>	\$133,933,844	\$149,460,393
Revised Primary Care Estimates	(4,968,362)	(8,261,106)
Net Impact Present Law Adjustments to Primary Care	188,456	0
New Proposal Adjustments Primary Care		
Mental Health Managed Care	2,100,000	
Personal Health Telephone Info.	42,250	41,550
Hospital/RTC Audits	127,092	130,200
Increase DRG (Hospital Rate Increase)	(399,497)	(764,832)
OBRA Related Nurse Aide	(325,909)	(324,909)
Increase Dental Rates for Children's Services	(257,304)	(287,952)
Out Patient Hospital Savings	(209,661)	(248,669)
Additional Primary Care Savings Added by Subcommittee		
Drug Utilization/Review	(206,183)	(293,023)
Formulary Savings	(242,579)	(298,213)
Federal Partnership Audits	(460,600)	(1,210,453)
FY96 Growth Rate	(184,240)	0
Additional HMO Enrollment	0	(204,539)
TPL MMIS Enhancements/Additional Collections	(163,404)	(167,400)
Nursing Home Benefits Present Law Adjustment	(689,332)	(1,867,263)
Eastmont Closure	(640,000)	(818,132)
Mainframe Computer Costs	(288,447)	(288,447)
Voc Rehab Workers' Comp Funding Switch	(192,087)	(192,087)
Nurse Aide Testing	(75,462)	(75,462)
Long-Term Care Utilization Review	(31,250)	(31,250)
Budget Analysis Contract	(19,593)	(19,593)
Montana Cares	(19,593)	(17,593)
Outpatient Hospital FTE	(19,593)	(17,593)
METS Computer System	(100,000)	(50,000)
Rebase DRG System	(75,000)	0
Reengineering Study	(50,000)	(50,000)
Welfare Reform Benefit Cost Reduction	(41,371)	(169,848)
LFA AFDC Benefit Estimate	(46,876)	(70,111)
State-Assumed County Funding Mix	(41,466)	(41,770)
State-Assumed County Rent	(35,341)	(54,078)
OTD Rent	(37,621)	(38,153)
Title XX Transfer & TCM Operating—DD	(22,214)	(26,060)
Assistance Payments Rent	(12,105)	(12,407)
Child Care Provider Increase to 75th Percentile	(17,739)	(2,178)
Medicaid Equipment/PL and New Proposal	(4,800)	(13,300)
Self-Initiated Day Care Waiting List	24,263	24,263
Expand Mt. Legal Services Contract for GA Clients	25,000	25,000
Deer Lodge Indigent Program	70,000	70,000
Indian Health	427,243	501,476
Elderly/Disabled Waiver Services	288,505	511,960
Medicare Buy-In	147,288	374,207
Child Support Enforcement	597,373	575,499
DD Provider Rate Increase	625,715	1,288,583
Sub-Total Changes to SRS	(\$5,214,445)	(\$12,373,683)
Revised General Fund—SRS	\$128,719,399	\$137,086,710
Percent of Total General Fund Request	3.89%	8.28%

\*Only major general fund reductions are included; all increases are included.

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## Legislative Action Compared to Original General Fund Executive Request

Department/Action	General Fund Change	
	Fiscal 1996	Fiscal 1997
Net Changes Made to General Fund—SRS and DFS	(\$9,936,385)	(\$17,985,541)
<u>Family Services—Original Request</u>	\$40,078,080	\$41,880,011
Community Impact Grants	(\$4,059,617)	(\$4,158,893)
Revise Foster Care/ Family-Based Services	(77,620)	(548,643)
Life Skills Contracts	(372,672)	(372,672)
Provider Rate Increases	(183,403)	(403,727)
Transfer for Dually Diagnosed Children	(137,000)	(137,000)
Federal Indirect Cost Revenue	(100,860)	(100,860)
Interagency Coordinating Council	(100,000)	(100,000)
Chemical Dependency	(52,261)	(52,261)
Eastmont Closure— SSI Benefits	0	(45,872)
Double Count Juvenile Corrections Contracts	(44,479)	(44,479)
Foster Care Tribal Contracts	(42,144)	(42,144)
Juv. Corrections Community Servs. Contracts	(40,534)	(40,534)
Reduce Social Worker FTE Incr.	(27,518)	(25,054)
County Office Rent	(89,584)	(94,814)
ROC I&I Income Estimates	(9,213)	(11,341)
Child Care Provider Increase to 75th Percentile	23,273	32,743
Pine Hills School Repairs	58,000	0
Secure Care for Girls	100,000	100,000
Partnership Projects	100,000	100,000
Local Citizen Foster Care Review Board	133,693	133,693
Sex Offender Programs for PHS Boys	<u>200,000</u>	<u>200,000</u>
Sub-Total Changes to DFS	(\$4,721,940)	(\$5,611,859)
Revised General Fund—DFS	<u>\$35,356,140</u>	<u>\$36,268,152</u>
Percent of Total General Fund Request	11.78%	13.40%

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"The department may not use funds appropriated for benefits to fund personal services, operating, or equipment expenditures with the following exception. The department must certify to the office of budget and program planning and the legislative finance committee that an operating or administrative efficiency that would reduce benefits expenditures cannot be funded within the amount appropriated for operating and administrative costs. The office of budget and program planning must certify that the department request is accurate, and after legislative finance committee review, the office of budget and program planning may process an operating budget amendment to transfer money appropriated for benefits to operating costs. Before the transfer of appropriation authority from benefits to operating expenditures can be processed, the department must also submit and the office of budget and program planning must process an operating budget amendment that reduces benefit expenditures by the amount estimated to be saved due to the administrative or operating efficiency."

