

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

February 23, 1977

The meeting was called to order in the Governor's Reception Room at 10:15 a.m., with all members present except Reps. Gilligan and Kennerly, who were excused.

House Bill 816 was discussed. Rep. Gunderson took the chair so that Rep. Dussault could explain the bill. She said there have been rumors that the bill would benefit CDC in Missoula, which is a non-profit corporation that evaluates and ~~diagnoses~~ DD and associated problems. House Bills 467 and 624 are included in this bill. If provisions have been omitted it is an oversight and we will amend them in. This bill incorporates concerns and points brought up at the January special education hearing, brings state law in compliance with P.L. 94-142 and clarifies responsibility for special education between OSPI and local school districts. Special ed is funded 100% through state money and because of that it must remain the responsibility of the SPI for final authority for approval of programs and standards and rules and regulations. We will omit a lot of red tape with this bill.

Proponents were JoAnne Willis, Clark Fowler, Jack Radio, Shirley Devoc, Dr. Doug Findley, Maxine Lane, Floyd McDowell, Bob Laumeyer, Connie Skousen, Lyle Grayson and Maureen Mee. Their statements are attached.

Rep. Dussault said the intent was to leave whatever was discretionary that way. If it is not done in the bill it was an oversight and should be amended. All we did was say that by 1980 3-5 special education would be mandatory.

House Joint Resolution 84 was discussed next. Rep. Dussault explained that it is a request for an interim study on intermediate school districts. Regional services for special education will be gone by 1980 so this study will look at intermediate districts as a way to replace them. Proponents were Leonard Sergeant (statement attached), Gary Steurwald, Floyd McDowell. Mr. Steurwald said county superintendents should be consulted in this study, and Mr. McDowell testified in support of the study.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

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ANN MARY DUSSAULT, Chairperson

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The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m., with all members present except Rep. Kennerly, who was absent. The Committee went into Executive Session to consider several bills.

HJR 84 - Rep. Lund moved that the resolution DO PASS. The motion passed unanimously by those present.

House Bill 816 - the amendments were voted on separately as follows:

Rep. Lund moved to adopt No. 1. The motion passed with Rep. Lund voting NO.

Rep. Estenson moved to adopt amendments 2, 3, and 4. The motion passed unanimously.

Rep. Barrett moved to adopt No. 5. The motion passed unanimously.

Rep. Hand moved to adopt No. 6. The motion passed unanimously.

Rep. Estenson moved to adopt No. 7. The motion passed unanimously.

Rep. Hand moved to adopt No. 8. The motion passed unanimously.

Rep. Lund moved to adopt No. 9. The motion passed with Reps. Courtney, Gilligan, Uhde and Gunderson voting NO.

Rep. Hand moved to adopt No. 11.(3). The motion passed with Rep. Estenson voting NO.

Rep. Lund moved to adopt No. 10. The motion passed with Reps. Estenson and Kvaalen voting NO.

Rep. Gunderson moved to adopt No. 11 (4). Rep. Estenson made a substitute motion that it not be adopted. The substitute motion failed with Reps. Kvaalen, Lory, Estenson, Lund, Meyer and Dussault voting YES. The original motion was voted on and passed. The vote was reversed without objection.

Rep. Lund moved to adopt No. 12. The motion passed unanimously.

Rep. Kvaalen moved to adopt No. 13. The motion passed unanimously.

Rep. Hand moved to adopt No. 13. The motion passed with Rep. Kvaalen voting NO.

Rep. Estenson moved to adopt No. 14. The motion was passed unanimously.

Rep. Gunderson moved to adopt Nos. 15 and 17. The motion passed unanimously.

Rep. Barrett moved to adopt No. 16. The motion passed unanimously.

Rep. Estenson moved to adopt No. 18. The motion passed unanimously.

Rep. Gunderson moved to adopt No. 19. The motion passed unanimously.

Rep. Hand moved that HB 816 DO PASS AS AMENDED. The motion passed with Rep. Estenson voting NO.

Rep. Barrett moved that House Bills 467 and 624 be TABLED. The motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8 p.m.