

MINUTES OF THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
State Capitol, Room 225

March 31, 1977

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Francis Bardanouve. Roll call was taken; all members of the committee were present (roll call attached).

House Bill 242: The Chairman requested Curt Nichols, Associate Fiscal Analyst, to report on the "sliding scale" cost effective method for daycare facilities. Mr. Nichols explained that AFDC is funded 30% from the general fund, and it would require getting 1,000 families off AFDC in order to justify the cost of the program. The average payment is \$167.50 per family.

Rep. Estenson said that several states, including Oregon, Alaska and Nevada, use the sliding scale system successfully. The general consensus seems to be that in the beginning of this program, the states do not see the cost savings right away. Earlier amendments had been agreed upon by the committee requiring the Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services to study the effectiveness of the program and report to the 1979 Legislature.

MOTION: Rep. Marks moved H.B. 242 DO NOT PASS.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION was made to further amend the bill by decreasing the appropriation to \$300,000 for the biennium (\$150,000 each year), and AS AMENDED DO PASS.

ROLL CALL VOTE: The motion to amend and AS AMENDED DO PASS carried with a vote of 15-2.

House Bill 282: MOTION: Rep. Gunderson moved H.B. 282 DO PASS.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION made by Rep. Moore that it DO NOT PASS.

ROLL CALL VOTE: The substitute motion failed with 5 aye to 12 no.

ROLL CALL VOTE: The motion to DO PASS carried with a vote of 12-5.

House Bill 355: Rep. Estenson moved H.B. 355 DO NOT PASS.

ROLL CALL VOTE: The motion carried with a vote of 10-7.

House Joint Resolution 46: MOTION: Rep. Aageson moved the committee reconsider its action. Motion seconded by Rep. Estenson.

ROLL CALL VOTE: The motion to reconsider carried with a vote of 13-4.

MOTION made that HJR 46 DO PASS.

VOTE: The motion carried by using the same vote for the motion to reconsider.

House Bill 833: MOTION: Rep. Halvorson moved the committee reconsider its actions on H.B. 833.

Rep. Halvorson requested that Rep. Ryan present a short testimony concerning the parole officers' portion of H.B. 833.

MOTION: Rep. Lynch moved that no more testimony be heard; seconded by Rep. Moore. Following a discussion, the committee agreed that only Representative Ryan would be allowed to address the committee.

Rep. Ryan distributed a copy of the job description for "Parole and Probation Officer I," from the Montana Classification Manual (copy attached). Rep. Halvorson agreed to amend the addition of five parole officers to H.B. 145 on the floor and WITHDREW her motion.

MOTION: Rep. Halvorson moved H.B. 833 DO NOT PASS.

VOICE VOTE: The motion carried (Do Not Pass) with a vote of 15-2 (Reps. Bradley and Estenson voting no).

House Bill 811: MOTION: Rep. Gunderson moved H.B. 811 DO NOT PASS.

ROLL CALL VOTE: The motion carried with a vote of 11 aye, 2 no, 3 abstaining, and 1 absent. See attached roll call sheet.

House Bill 821: MOTION: Rep. Marks moved H.B. 821 DO PASS.

Rep. Halvorson presented six amendments (attached).

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Halvorson moved the bill DO PASS AS AMENDED. Rep. Gunderson opposed the amendments.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Lynch moved to adopt Rep. Halvorson's amendments except for No. 1 and to leave the appropriation at \$100,000, and that H.B. 821 AS AMENDED DO PASS.

ROLL CALL VOTE: The substitute motion carried with a vote of 12-4 with Rep. Ageson absent.

House Joint Resolution 4: MOTION: Rep. Marks moved H.J.R. 4 DO NOT PASS.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION was made by Rep. Gunderson that H.J.R. 4 DO PASS.

ROLL CALL VOTE: The substitute motion failed with 7 aye and 9 no votes.

VOTE: The motion DO NOT PASS carried by reversing the votes. Final vote: 9-7.

House Bill 829: MOTION: Rep. Moore moved H.B. 829 DO PASS AS AMENDED (amendments attached).

ROLL CALL VOTE: The motion carried with a vote of 11 aye to 5 no.

MOTION: Rep. South moved the appropriation be increased from \$65,000 to \$71,000.

VOTE: The motion carried.

MOTION: Rep. Moore moved H.B. 829 DO PASS AS AMENDED.

ROLL CALL VOTE: The motion carried with a vote of 11-5, 1 absent.

House Bill 830: MOTION: Rep. Moore moved H.B. 830 DO PASS.

ROLL CALL VOTE: The motion failed with a vote of 6 aye, 10 no, 1 absent.

MOTION: Rep. Gerke moved H.B. 830 DO NOT PASS.

VOTE: The motion carried by reversing the vote. Final vote: 10-6.

House Bill 828: MOTION: Rep. Gerke moved H.B. 828 DO PASS.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Lynch moved H.B. 828 be referred out of the committee without recommendation.

VOICE VOTE: The substitute motion carried with a vote of 14-2.

(Rep. Bradley and Rep. Moore voting no; Rep. Ageson absent.)

House Bill 143: MOTION: Rep. Moore moved H.B. 143 DO PASS.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Lynch moved H.B. 143 DO PASS AS AMENDED. (Amendments from John LaFaver and the explanation attached). The motion was seconded by Rep. Moore.

VOTE: The motion carried.

House Bill 445: MOTION: Rep. Marks moved the committee reconsider its action.

VOTE: The motion carried by voice vote with a vote of 15-1 (Rep. Moore voting no; Rep. Ageson absent).

House Bill 532: Rep. Gerke distributed the attached amendments.

MOTION: Rep. Gerke moved the adoption of the amendments.

VOICE VOTE: The motion carried with a vote of 13-2 (Rep. Moore and Rep. Bardanouve opposed; Rep. Ageson absent; Rep. Lynch absent).

MOTION: Rep. Gerke moved H.B. 532 DO PASS AS AMENDED.

ROLL CALL VOTE: The motion carried with a vote of 9-6 (Rep. Lynch and Rep. Ageson absent).

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m. to meet at the call of the Chair.

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Francis Bardanouve, Chairman