

APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONS

February 25, 1977 - Room 225

The meeting of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Institutions was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Chairman Gerke. Other members present were:

Senator Mark Etchart
Representative Harry Hansen
Representative Art Lund
Representative Howard Ellis

Senator Flynn was absent. Tom Briggs, Legislative Fiscal Analyst, was present. Also Doug Booker, Office of Budget and Program Planning.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The four balance transfers were discussed again: ADOLESCENT CARE, ALCOHOL SERVICES, DRUG SERVICES and LIGHTHOUSE DRUG PROGRAM.


ADOLESCENT CARE AT WARM SPRINGS: The increase approval needed is for \$100,000, which is a three-year federal hospital improvement grant. In this adolescent care unit there is an average population of 15 to 20. They are requesting approval to spend this federal grant. It involves no state funds. This program will continue until the Yellowstone Boys Ranch can be developed fully and expanded to include all these patients, both boys and girls.

MONTANA STATE PRISON

It was reported that the present population is 511. The new prison can handle a maximum of 370. The prison officials feel that both the new and old prisons should be operated. It would cost an additional \$385,000 to run the old prison from now until June 30, 1977. A decision on this should be made by the committee soon, before the move starts.

\$306,715.99	salaries
21,572.00	utilities
36,000.00	equipment
20,631.70	operating costs
<u>\$384,919.69</u>	TOTAL

Meeting ended at 9:00 a.m.


Harold Gerke, Chairman