

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE  
February 9, 1981

The Human Services Committee convened at 12:30 p.m., February 9, 1981, in Room 103 of the Capitol with CHAIRMAN GOULD presiding. All members were present except REP. BRAND and REP. KEYSER, who were excused and REP. DEVLIN who was absent.

HB 514

REP. DUSSAULT opened the hearing on HB 514, introduced to regulate the practice of midwifery; establishing licensing procedures; establishing a board of midwives; and granting rule-making authority. She presented a Statement of Intent (EXHIBIT I) to the committee and presented statements from Montana citizens who were proponents of HB 514 (EXHIBIT II).

PROPOSERS:

REP. WALDRON stated that he introduced a similar bill in the last Legislature as many lay midwives were operating outside of the law all over the state. He stated there is a demand for this service and he felt they should be trained and allowed to practice legally. He said that good pre-natal care is stressed, so that difficult births could be discovered before delivery, and urged to use the services of a doctor and/or hospital in those cases.

BETSY SCANLON, an attorney from Red Lodge who represents an organization favoring midwifery (MOM), presented the committee a copy of a petition licensing midwives signed by over 800 people (EXHIBIT III).

MIRIAM ANDERSON, Red Lodge, also representing MOM, has delivered two children with the help of midwives and plans to have other children in the same manner. She hoped that midwives would be legalized.

VICKI CAIN, of Luther, Montana, said she had witnessed 20 home births, and feels that only competent persons should do so. She felt HB 514 would reduce the risk to home births by licensing midwives. The midwives would rather not practice outside the law, but would like the support of doctors and nurses, she said.

MIRIAM ANDERSON spoke again, saying that 10% of the births in her county were home births. She said that doctors would not assist at home births and that neither would nurse midwives. She felt that practicing midwives should be legalized, rather than be considered criminals. She said that the rate of maternal deaths at home births are lower than in hospital deliveries when clearly compiled.

KAREN WEBB, Helena, told of having two hospital deliveries and

one home birth. She said she received pre-natal care for all pregnancies and that the doctor prepared both her and her husband for the home delivery, but warned her that a crisis could occur. She felt the home birth allowed her husband to participate more fully in the event.

TANA BISHOP, Helena, said that women who chose to have a home delivery should be allowed to do so.

REP. DUSSAULT told the committee that because of the inclement weather, several proponents had been unable to testify, but that they had sent a telegram and wished it to be included in the record. (EXHIBIT IV)

OPPONENTS:

CYNTHIA KAISER, a nurse-midwife from Butte and a representative of a group of doctors, nurses and other citizens of Butte, testified as an opponent of the bill. (EXHIBIT V). She felt the qualifications were not equal to the responsibilities entrusted to the proposed licensed midwives. She also felt the proposed Board of Midwives was poorly designed, that the bill would fund a duplicate training program to satisfy a small group of people who want to have their babies at home.

DR. PETER BURLEIGH, M.D., an obstetrician from Great Falls, presented testimony in opposition to HB 514 (EXHIBIT VI). He did not feel that a one year apprentice program of watching a midwife perform home deliveries would educate a person to recognize abnormal labor conditions and take appropriate steps to safeguard the life and safety of the mother and child. He feels that improvements have been made to include the father and others important to the mother in the delivery process.

CHAD SMITH, lobbyist for the Montana Hospital Association, feels that this bill would allow the midwives to perform deliveries in hospitals as well as at home, and that the hospitals would be liable for malpractice. If a crisis would arise in a midwife delivery not in a hospital setting, a doctor might not be available for professional advice and care, he said. He also pointed out the training required by the bill, in Section 4(2), would eliminate almost anyone who has not had extensive medical training.

JUDY OLSON, representative of the Montana Nurses Association, felt that licensing a lay midwife would make the public feel that that person would be an "expert" in that area. The Nurses' Association feels the training would be inadequate and that a lay midwife would not be able to provide quality prenatal care or attend a home birth with any type of complications (EXHIBIT VII).

QUESTIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE:

CHAIRMAN GOULD asked if a hospital could deny the use of its

facility to midwives. CHAD SMITH said that physicians could be excluded for just cause, such as disability. A hospital would have to have good reason to deny its use to a licensed midwife.

REP. CONN asked if the hospitals were worried that they might lose money with many home births taking place. SMITH said that it is commonly known that hospitals lose money providing maternal care. The hospitals are concerned about procedure, liability, and safety, he said.

REP. BERGENE asked if the midwife shouldn't be provided for people in outlying areas and shouldn't be legalized, similarly to what was done for Physician's Assistants (PA). JUDY OLSON said that PAs would not be licensed, but that through this bill, midwives would. She also felt having midwives practice in hospitals would be a problem for hospitals.

REP. WINSLOW asked if any person has been criminally charged with practicing midwifery. SCANLON said "no," but said complaints have been received and felt that there could be charges filed.

REP. WINSLOW asked if midwives would be able to handle complications, such as bleeding or to take stitches. SCANLON doesn't think they could take stitches. She said that midwives also prefer to be fairly close to professional help to handle serious complications.

REP. WINSLOW asked if midwives advocated transporting a patient in a crisis situation to a hospital. SCANLON said that even a breech birth could be delivered at home, but that there are some situations in which the mother should remain close to an ambulance or hospital.

REP. WINSLOW asked if pregnant women are being encouraged to have prenatal care. SCANLON felt all should, if they can accept that (philosophy).

REP. BARDANOUE asked if the proponents were primarily interested in home deliveries. REP. DUSSAULT said "yes" that they were not interested in using the hospitals. REP. BARDANOUE asked if an amendment restricting hospital use would be opposed by the sponsor. REP. DUSSAULT said there would be no objection.

REP. BARDANOUE asked why the Nurses' Association did not introduce legislation prohibiting midwives. OLSON said it just hadn't been done, even though the midwives are practicing outside of the law at present. REP. BARDANOUE asked if it wasn't better to have an attendant with some training than no one at all. OLSON said "yes" but felt that licensing would give the impression that the midwife was well-trained, which she disagreed with.

RUSS JOSEPHSON, legal researcher, asked Rep. Dussault if this bill would exempt emergency personnel, who might respond as part of an ambulance team, to deliver a baby. REP. DUSSAULT said "yes." RUSS JOSEPHSON asked what "social medics" meant. SCANLON said that the bill was drawn up from the Arizona codes, which use the phrase, and it could be changed. JOSEPHSON said there are a number of people who should be exempted even though they are licensed elsewhere under Title 37. He asked about the requirement of performing metabolic tests. REP. DUSSAULT asked for time to check into that. REP. CONN asked if the bill provided safety standards. DR. E. C. PRATT, of the DHES, said that an examination must be passed, and passing it would require training.

REP. NILSON asked what a midwife might charge for the service of delivering a baby. KAREN WEBB said only the cost of supplies would have to be paid by the mother. She said it cost her about \$15 as compared to \$700 or \$800 for a hospital delivery.

REP. SIVERTSEN said it seemed the high cost was an important issue to mothers, and thought it might be necessary to come up with a less expensive alternative to giving birth. DR. BURLEIGH stated that in some places there are "birthing centers," staffed with trained people and equipment, but the costs are almost identical to hospital charges.

REP. MANNING asked if the reason for HB 514 was that people preferred to have their babies at home or that they were trying to escape the high costs of having babies in hospitals. WEBB said there are many issues, one of which was the traditional position in which the mother must deliver the baby.

REP. DUSSAULT stated that some of the reasons were economical, but that most of the reasons for introducing this bill were philosophical. She said the 800 signatures on the petition she presented the committee showed the desire that Montanans have for legalized midwives. She then closed the hearing.

#### HB 513.

CHAIRMAN GOULD invited the representative of the Hospital Association to make a statement on HB 513, as a result of a request for additional time for opponents of the bill.

BILL LEARY, president of the MHA, stated that at the time HB 513 was heard on February 2, he was attending the annual meeting of the American Hospital Association in Washington, D.C.. One of the key issues was on the future of health planning. He said it was determined that the tone was one of changing complexity relative to the emphasis that was given Public Law 93-641,

which established the National Health Planning and Resources Development Act, and which also established the Health Systems Agencies. He introduced those who attended the annual meeting: Sister Michele, chairman of the Montana Hospital Association, Tom Gillespie and George Clark. A resolution was adopted at the meeting, which he read into the testimony:

"A. It was resolved that the American Hospital Association actively seek immediate administrative and legislative relief from onerous sanctions against states which do not desire to fully implement certificate of need laws;

B. The American Hospital Association expedite the assessment of its position and its membership's views on the National Health Planning and Resources Development Act (P.L. 93-641);

C. Considering the likelihood that the Reagan Administration will move to eliminate appropriations for state and local health planning, the AHA will expedite the process described in paragraph B, will seek the elimination of federal regulatory sanctions concurrently with the elimination of federal funds, and will encourage an acceptable state and local planning structure simultaneously with the dismantling of the structure created by P.L. 93-641. February 4, 1981". (EXHIBIT VIII)

HB 458.

REP. ORREN VINGER, of Wolf Point, opened the hearing on HB 458, an act to repeal the Montana Certificate of Need requirements for health care facilities.

PROPOSERS:

KEN RUTLEDGE, vice president of the Montana Hospital Association, read written testimony into the record favoring HB 458 (EXHIBIT IX). He said that the cost of hospitalization in Montana is much less than in other states. He feels Certificate of Need (CON) adds to the cost. He said the CON legislation was modeled after a New York State Law and felt the situation in N.Y. is different from the one in Montana. He urged a Do Pass for HB 458.

RON BARNES, administrator, Trinity Hospital in Wolf Point, sent testimony read by Bill Leary, favoring the bill. (EXHIBIT X). He stated that the CON has caused project delay and unnecessary expense to hospitals.

KEN RUTLEDGE (MHA) said that the administrator of the Clark Fork Hospital would be sending testimony explaining his experiences with CON, but was unable to appear in person. RUTLEDGE, for ISENOG, told of applying for a permit for 12 nursing home beds at a cost of \$86,000. After applying, being delayed and finally being permitted to construct the project, it was completed four years later, he said, at a cost of \$274,000.

BRAD ROBINSON, director of planning and hospital systems at Columbus Hospital in Great Falls, read testimony (EXHIBIT XI), into the record favoring HB 458. He said that "because of fear of reduction in funds for grant programs, the continuance of CON legislation in Montana places in jeopardy the entire free enterprise system of the delivery of health care in Montana."

JERRY LOENDORF, Helena attorney representing the Montana Medical Association, said that costs have increased nationally. He said a report written by HEW told of the increases and that it indicated surprise as the CON was designated to reduce costs. He also told of Louisiana not enacting a CON law, and not having funds eliminated.

OPPONENTS:

GEORGE FENNER, DHES, distributed printed material showing health care costs in Montana prepared by him. He said that Montanans are paying an estimated \$976 per capita for all health care while other health consumers in the U. S. are paying \$938 per capita. He also said Montanans are paying more of the per capita income than the rest of the nation. He read from a capsule report of the American Health Planning Association, which said the CON was working effectively to reduce health costs. He disagreed with testimony given by Rutledge regarding health care costs. (EXHIBIT XII)

JUDY CARLSON, deputy director of the SRS, said the review process gave the state some control over building and expansion that could contribute to the Medicaid bill. She said it was important to be able to comment on the costs as well as the type and size of the projects.

RALPH GUILDROY, executive director of the Montana Health Systems Agency, read opposing testimony to HB 458. He distributed information on all the reviews made since August 23, 1977, through December 31, 1980. He said the reviews totaled \$115,989,028 approved, and \$11,412,402 withdrawn or disapproved during that time. (EXHIBIT XIII). He felt that RUTLEDGE's testimony was slanted to his opinion.

ROSE SKOOG, of the Montana Nursing Home Association, opposed the bill because she felt it could lead to additional construction of nursing home beds. This would empty some nursing home beds and cause a rise in costs to the patients, she said. She felt the system should be improved rather than eliminated.

REP. STEVE WALDRON said that there are a large number of withdrawals, as well as denials. He felt that withdrawing an application was, in a sense, a way of saving money. He also spoke of competition between hospitals for CT scanners, and the increase of that equipment increasing costs for patients. He felt the required planning is good and recommended an interim study rather than elimination of CON.

GLEN DRAKE, appearing for Hillbrook Nursing Home in Helena, said that while Hillbrook had difficulties in applying for CON, they realized the importance of the CON. He said HB 458 "throws out the baby with the bath water" and that the nursing home was the "baby." He felt if CON was thrown out, that nursing home "chains" would take over the nursing home business, hurting the individually owned homes. He said he has seen no effort here to replace the CON with local control, as suggested by the AHA in its resolution.

ROXANNA EMSLANDER, representing the Montana United Indian Association, spoke in opposition to HB 458 stating:

1. It jeopardizes over \$15,000,000 in federal funds over a four year period.
2. The assumption that the Reagan administration will throw out the CON may or may not come to pass.
3. She felt that noncompliance might make Montana be cut from funds in the Reagan administration's efforts to cut budgets. She felt Montana was gambling with funds in behalf of two special interest groups. (EXHIBIT XIV)

QUESTIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE:

REP. WINSLOW asked what the per capita health care costs include, and wondered if dental and ambulance costs were included. GEORGE FENNER said "yes," these things were all considered in the CON process.

REP. WINSLOW asked how a dentist complied. FENNER said that dentists complied in the same manner as a physician.

REP. SIVERTSEN asked RUTLEDGE for clarification of his health care cost figures. RUTLEDGE defended his statistics.

REP. SIVERTSEN asked SKOOG what the MNA's interest was in this bill. SKOOG felt that controls were needed and that CON provided them. She said the MNHA did not agree with all the provisions of HB 513. She said there was a need for control over the number of nursing home beds constructed.

REP. SIVERTSEN asked MR. GUILDROY if he was being objective when he said that the CON was working. GUILDROY said the CON is valid for gaining citizen input. Consumers attend meetings on a volunteer basis because they feel it is an important issue, he said.

REP. BARDANOUE asked about a project that was approved but wasn't built in Sanders County. GRANT WYNN, administrator of the Community Hospital in Missoula and former administrator of the Clark Fork Valley hospital at the time the problem occurred there, said that he went through three hearings to obtain a CON. He said financing was not available at the time.

They were given an extension; but, eventually, the CON was given up. Later, when funds were available, opposition to the project was given by a nursing home, he said.

REP. VINGER closed the hearing on HB 458.

HB 513.

REP. GOULD allowed five minutes testimony from proponents of HB 513.

BARBARA CREBO, who assisted in the drafting of the present MCA 50-5-101, testified in favor of HB 513. (EXHIBIT XV). She stated that the CON was important to a state such as Montana with its geographically large size and relatively small population. She said the physician community is upset about HB 513 because their offices would "be included if they intend to purchase medical equipment which would cost in excess of \$150,000."

The meeting was adjourned at 3 p.m.



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CHAIRMAN BUDD GOULD

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## VISITORS' REGISTER

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NAME	RESIDENCE	REPRESENTING	SUPPORT	OPPOS
Gene T. Lovelock	Helena, MT	W. med. assoc		✓
G. Brian Zins	Helena	MT Med. Assoc.		✓
Jacqueline McKnight	"	DHES		
J.C. Pratt MD	"	DHES		
Jamie Crumwell	Butte	Board of Nursing		✓
Peter Durlough	Great Falls	MMA		✓
Walter Reamy	Helena	MHA		✓
John Books	Columbus			✓
Yuriam Anderson	Red Lodge	MOM	✓	
Elaine Bentall	Red Lodge	MOM	✓	
James M. Winer	Missoula Mistake Canyon Hosp	Mistake Canyon Hosp	✓	
Marjorie Webb	Helena	self	✓	
Lizbeth Mitchell	621 2nd Helena	self	✓	
Mike Ritz Lodge	Helena	MHA		✓
Kenneth A. Pokyana	Helena	Consumer	✓	
Janette Burton	Red Lodge	Consumer	✓	
John Cain	Tuttle	Consumer	✓	
Jim Reese	Poplar	Cann Hospital		✓
Paul H. Hargreaves	"	"		✓
M. T. O'Leary	"	"		✓
Sam McLeod	Bozeman	Fallon Mem Hosp		✓
Paul Newport	Danville	Russell Memorial Hosp		✓
David Grizzley	Chickadee	" "		✓

IF YOU CARE TO WRITE COMMENTS, ASK SECRETARY FOR LONGER FORM.

PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH SECRETARY.

Name	Town	Ref -	support oppo
Lus Korb	Helena	Northern Mt. Hospital	✓
Thomas Metzger	Kalispell	Kalispell Reg Hosp.	✓
John Hyslop	Kalispell	Kalispell Reg. Hospital	✓
Kathleen Peters	Butte	self	✓
Cynthia Kaiser	Butte	certified nurse-midwives	✓
Bob Brachman	Choteau	Teton Medical Center	✓
Elizabeth Seaman	Red Lodge	Montanans for Midwives	✓
Flora Michael Helen		MMA	✓
Judy J. Olson	Helena	Mt. Nurses Assoc.	✓
James H. Holcomb	Shelby	Teton Cty Hosp	<del>hon</del>
Richard Brown	Choteau	Lib. City Hospital	✓
Delmar Webb	"	"	✓
Mae Lanier	Butte	public	✓
Robin Redmond	Butte	self	✓
Auret Hertz	Butte	self	✓
Michael O. Boerger	Helena	self	✓
DeAnn Urban	Columbia	self	✓
Kathleen Swenson	Kalispell	public	✓
Inez Zozula	Butte	public good	✓
Mary Jennings	Butte	self	✓
Kathleen Peters	Butte	public	✓
Carey Shiel	Butte	self	✓
Cheryl Smith	Helena	self	✓
	Helena	MMA	✓

## COMMITTEE

Date 2-9-87

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## Statement of Intent - HB 514

A statement of intent is required for this bill because it delegates rulemaking authority to the Department of Health and Environmental Sciences. The bill is intended to expand the authority of the department to adopt rules according to the Montana Administrative Procedure Act necessary to implement LC 1107, a bill to regulate the practice of midwifery.

It is contemplated that the rules should address the following subjects as well as others:

1. Procedures for guaranteeing that a midwife is free from communicable disease including defining "communicable disease" and requiring a physical examination by a licensed physician;
2. Minimum training requirements such as length of apprenticeship under a certified or licensed midwife;
3. Limitations on the practice of midwifery such as administering drugs and prescribing medical treatment;
4. Minimum educational requirements including method of instruction, alternative methods for fulfilling the requirements, and hours of instruction or experience;
5. Procedures for testing a midwife's competency including written, oral, and practical examinations; and
6. Procedures for conferring with the Board of Midwives including meetings at least once every six months and more often if necessary.

THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS WERE TAKEN FROM LETTERS RECENTLY RECEIVED  
BY MONTANANS FOR MIDWIVES.

G. L. - BILLINGS, MT  
January 25, 1981

"I am an RN in Billings, and am interested in seeing an increase of midwifery as an available service to women."

S.S. - BOZEMAN, MT  
January 23, 1981

"I am very interested in this (bill) and am currently apprenticing under an M.D. here who does home deliveries."

R.K. - KALISPELL, MT  
January 22, 1981

"I know there are many women having homebirths and lots of women who want to. Dr. and hospital costs are too high - just this week a 7 month pregnant mom came in for WIC services and asked who could help her - she had no pre-natal care. Good, well trained lay-midwives are needed here and they need the tolerance of our intolerant and uncaring medical community which legalization would help with."

S.A. - BILLINGS, MT  
January 23, 1981

"As a former Public Health Nurse & Obstetrics R.N. I recognize a need for trained midwives for many reasons. Hospital costs are exorbitant and still rising with young mothers being sent home far too soon. In a normal delivery they would be better off at home with trained care."

K.S. - LEWISTOWN, MT  
January 20, 1981

"I agree that there is a real need for good midwives in Montana. We have 3 children, all born in the hospital, we sure wanted this last one born at home but there's no support in Lewistown for it."

W.C. - BELGRADE, MT  
January 15, 1981

"If it had been possible due to availability of midwives, I would have had both of my children at home."

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H.A. - BOZEMAN, MT  
January 15, 1981

"As a nursing student at MSU who is considering midwifery as a career, I would like to support the legislative bill which defines standards for midwifery."

C.J. - BOZEMAN, MT  
January 16, 1981

"I plan to be a certified nurse-midwife myself, but would love to see lay midwives reincorporated into America's health care system."

T.C. - BOZEMAN, MT  
January 16, 1981

"I definitely want to see more midwifery and more women involved in healing."

A.J. - GREAT FALLS, MT  
January 24, 1981

"I have only one child (so far). My biggest fear during my pregnancy was not the labor and birth! It was a fear of the hospital-doctor delivery. I was not happy with my doctor and a tour of the hospital left me shaken. It was not what I wanted for the birth of my son but there was no other choice. It made me mad that I didn't have that choice. Now that we are thinking of another child the same fears are returning. I really want a midwife and home birth. I just do not trust doctors and hospitals."

HB 514: Regulating the practice of midwifery in Montana

Vicki Cain: Home birth witness, home birth mother, and active member of Montanans for Midwives (MCM).

Speaking for passage of HB 514

I can in no way agree with the idea of unattended home births. It has been my personal experience to have witnessed over twenty (20) home births in this state and other states.

Although the largest percentage of these births are normal labor and delivery, complications do arise occasionally. When the complications do arise it is better to have a competent person there to make the necessary and correct decisions regarding these complications.

Any degree of competency is going to be better than no competency at all. As the present law stands there is no legal competent attendant for these home births at all, and this leaves the parents in a much higher risk situation, turning at times slight complications into near disaster.

As the law stands any person assisting in a home can be held liable. This is not discouraging home births just qualified birth attendants. This is creating a risk to both the mother and the child. This risk is not necessary. HB 514 will reduce the risk that I am presently speaking of.

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Miriam Anderson , Mother of two children born at home

Speaking for passage of HB 514

I chose to have two of my children at home, with no problems resulting at either. It was my legal choice. I am now expecting my third child, and have again decided on a home birth, despite the fact that there is no one legally able to help me. Even if my mother decided to help, she could be held liable! As it stands now, I must do it myself - with no one qualified to attend who would be able to recognize symptoms of complications and if necessary take me to a hospital.

I disagree with standard obstetrical practises in hospitals, and the brief prenatal care given by busu doctors. For these and other personal reasons I choose to have home deliveries.



Elizabeth Scanlin, attorney and supporter of Montanas for Midwives (MON)

Speaking FOR passage of HB 514.

As a concerned citizen and attorney in Montana, I speak on behalf of HB 514 and against the opposition for the following reasons:

1. HOME BIRTHS ARE OCCURRING and will continue to occur, despite what the opponents of them say or do, and in many cases because of what they say or do. The opponents' position is that if home births are ignored or unprovided for, they'll go away. They won't.

2. THE OPPOSITION IS NOT AVAILABLE for assistance in home birth. No matter how loudly the opposition extols the need for the best possible care for the mother and child, it offers absolutely no assistance for those who are involved in a home birth. There are only a handful of doctors in the state who will even consider a home delivery, and only one person who is legally qualified to attend, the single nurse-midwife who refuses to assist in home births. Some doctors are even denying prenatal care to women who have indicated a choice for home birth. The opponents' position is, again, if we aren't there, nobody should be. This is the best possible care?

3. MATERNAL AND INFANT CARE WILL NOT DEGRADE if HB 514 passes. What care? Presently, there is none provided for the home birth choosers by the legal medical community. How can it degrade? Creating a reasonable standard for a competent attendant can only increase the standard of present care in Montana.

4. NOBODY'S MOTHER IS A CRIMINAL under the present law. If the opposition's view restricting legal birth assistants is allowed to continue to be heard, those persons who do assist continue to be criminals, subject to up to \$1,000 fine and 1 year in jail. Presently, the assistants are mothers, friends, or if the parties are lucky enough, an attendant who knows what is going on. The state needs to recognize and admit that mothers and friends will continue to meet the needs if a legal attendant is not available.

5. STATISTICS LIE. Opponents are presenting evidence of horribly excessive infant deaths from home births. The states they have chosen for such statistics are precisely the ones who have not provided for legal midwifery; further, the statistics include miscarriages, abortions, unplanned early deliveries and deliveries on the way to the hospital--all unplanned home births. In contrast, we have found that where prenatal care and delivery are legally done by midwives, the rate of infant and maternal deaths is actually lower than the average: Of 789 home births over seven years at The Farm in Tennessee, only eight resulted in death, compared to Tennessee's average of 26 per thousand. In 1046 home births matched with 1046 hospital births by Lewis E. Fehl, M.D., infant and maternal deaths and complications were significantly higher in hospital births. Whatever the statistics, as committee members you should be critical of the authority and basis. The obvious

fact is, the percentages of death and complications are going to be higher for unattended or poorly attended home births than for those that have competent attendants.

6. THE COST OF HB 514 IS NOT PROHIBITIVE, and is in fact insignificant, to create a reasonable standard of midwife competency. As provided by HB 514, board members, as on any other board, would be paid expenses; only one staff member or administrator and an office would be necessary. Cost of examination can be distributed in examination fees.

7. NO ALTERNATIVES ARE OFFERED BY THE OPPOSITION to HB 514. Under present law, only one legal midwife has resulted, and none that will assist in a home birth. Where are all those eligible nurses who so loudly want "the best possible care" for mothers and infants. They are hiding in the halls of the medical facilities. They are, furthermore, certainly not proposing any other method of providing for additional legal midwives available for home births. And as long as they continue to condemn home births, they will continue to see that home attendants are not available. How long will the state continue to listen to their position, and deny the licensing of other qualified attendants?

HB 514 is the best possible, comprehensive scheme to provide a standard of competency for home birth attendants. They are desperately needed. Please meet that need.

<sup>1</sup> Spiritual Midwifery, Ida H. McKin (revised 1976)

<sup>2</sup> 21st Century Obstetrics Exam, L. Stewart, CCE, and D. Stewart, PhD, WISAC, Inc. (1977)

Other references and statistics available on request.

# PETITION

WHEREAS the present status of Montana Law restricts the licensing of individuals who desire to practice midwifery to registered nurses with supplemental certification, and

WHEREAS this restriction creates a medical environment which fails to meet the needs of a significant segment of Montana citizens, and thereby causes a danger to the health and welfare of these citizens.

THEREFORE, We, the undersigned, believe that the present laws should be modified to allow alternative bases for licensing of midwives such as examination on subject areas specifically related to pregnancy and childbirth, experience in these areas, or a combination of the same, and urgently request the Legislature to make such changes as soon as is possible.

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Will  
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Karyn Aikin

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Box 473, Harder, MT, phone

yes

Karl W. Gaudin

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Box 7125, Livingston, MT

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Wickie Wray

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Lela Hall

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Genay Purnhew

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Wendy A. Stoddard

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Emily Barber

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1-13-81	DEIRDRE BOGGS	234 WOODFORD ST., MISSOULA, MT 59801	X
1/19/81	Anna Doney	Box 164, Arlee, MT 59821	X
X 1-30-81	Marylene Hingst	Box 243, Arlee, MT 59865	X
X 1-20-81	Edna Hingst	P.O. Box 506, Arlee, MT 59865	X
1-20-81	Quinta Adams	Box 72, Arlee, MT 59821	X
1-20-81	Charles Bell	Box 164, Arlee, MT 59821	X
X 1-20-81	Christine Matt	Box 262, Arlee, MT 59821	X
X 1-20-81	Lisa Anna Matt	Box 235, Arlee, MT 59821	X
X 1-20-81	Edna C. Tammen	Box 32, Arlee, MT 59821	X
1-20-81	Virginia M. Brozick	P.O. Box 335, Arlee, MT 59821	X
X 1/20/81	Juan Daniela	Box 323, Arlee, MT 59821	X
1/20/81	William Bopp	404 Woodford, Arlee, MT 59821	X

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1/11/81	James X. Lynch C.O.	Box 7942 Missoula, MT 59807
1/15/81	James P. Donaghy	Box 319 University Ave. E. Missoula MT 59801
1/11/81	Chaudie Hawes	P.O. Box 3293 Missoula, MT 59804
1/11/81	Wayne Britchett	P.O. Box 3293 Missoula, MT 59804
1/11/81	Terry Macomber Rucker	2244 W. Foothills Dr., Apt. 2, 59801
1-12-81	David Fuchs	217 S. 4th W.
1/12/81	Charles Macomber Rucker	2244 W. Foothills Dr., Apt. 2, 59801
1/12/81	Richard E. Travis	319 S. 3rd W. Missoula, MT 59801
1/12/81	Christopher K. Oldridge	2305 1/2 Russell Missoula, MT 59801
1/13/81	Mary C. Fineman	420 Blaine Ave. Missoula, MT 59801
1/13/81	Mona Fiedle	237 1/2 E. Front St. 59801
1/13/81	Deanna Barnhart	408 Stephens Missoula, MT 59801
1/13/81	John W. 1st. Rd.	1331 S. 6th W. Missoula, MT 59801

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X 1/13/81	Ralph Tepasso	409, McLeod Apt 3	✓
1-13-81	Dwight Williams	22nd St. Rt 4 W. Riverside Mola.	✓
1-13-81	Charles Angye	403 S. 1 <sup>st</sup> West #2, Mola 728-3481	
13 Jan 81	Raymond Grand	919 Rimini Ct Mola Mt. 59801	
X 1/13/81	Suzanne Creedon	2411 Valley Dr. Mola MT 59801	✓
1-13-81	Lynia Dvornishko	Box 8451 Missoula MT 59803	✓
1/81	J. Dege	910 Grand Ave Mt. 59801	✓
X 1/13/81	PETER F. CARROLL	P.O. Box 7963 MISSOULA, MT. 59807	✓
1/13/81	dave eckmanweier	329 E. Front C8	
1/13/81	Robert C. Little	2207 Wythe Missoula MT 59801	
1/13/81	Dan O'Connell	727 Cooper St.	
1/13/81	Robert F. Pellet	708 S 2nd West Missoula	✓
X 1/13/81	John Brown	208 S 11th, Missoula	✓

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1/13/81	Sharon Spurgeon	517 Westview Dr. #12 Missa, MT 591-2446	
1/13/81	Patricia J. Nelson	1734 S. 8th W. Missa 728-7909	
1/13/81	Steve Stuber	65 W. Sussex, Missa 543-3155	
1/13/81	Charles Buckner	2317 W. Central Missa 543-7079	
1/13/81	Lawrence John Bergstrom	642 West Antenna, Missa, Montana	
1-13-81	Ellen Rogers	Box 1363 Polson, MT	
1-13-81	Theresa J. Haack	833 Cherry St. Missoula MT 59801	
1-13-81	Sammy M. Holmboe	2411 Valley Drive, Missa, MT 59701	
1-13-81	Kathy E. Johnston	505 E. Pine 728-0200	✓
1-13-81	Doreen C. Brumby	301 Mount Ave 543-5585	
1-13-81	Joseph J. Hughes		

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1/13/81	Richard E. Hoot	1227 Astor St. Missoula, MT	X
1-13-81	James Cornwell	314 Cornwell Missoula, MT	X
1-13-81	John E. Stevens	448 1/2 Stephens Ave. Missoula, MT	X
1-13-81	Doris Spivey	851 Danota Ave	X
1-13-81	Kara Danner	314 So 5th Ave. Missoula, MT	X
1-13-81	Viv Goodwin	500 E. Main Ave. Missoula, MT	X
1-13-81	Lawrence T. Telt	Box 494 Rensselaer, MT	X
1-13-81	John E. Smith	2809 Duncan Dr. Missoula, MT	X
1-13-81	Jeffrey M. Hoot	405 So 3rd St. Missoula, MT	X
1-13-81	James E. Hoot	1227 Astor St. Missoula, MT	X
1-13-81	James Channing Hoot	209 Chestnut	X
1-13-81	James M. Hoot	314 Cornwell Ave	X



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1/12/81	NUNY OTTER	1635 S. 12th, Missoula 549-1456	
1/12/81	David Vargay	10837 243-4153	X
1/12/81	John Gorman	416 56th E Missoula 943-4153	X
1/12/81	Kelly Roseleaf	315 S 4th St Missoula 243-4153	X
1/13/81	Roberta Hobbs	323 E Crosby 7th St 543-7680	X
1/13/81	Charles Crosby	2400 Ft Rd #313, Msl 549-1623	
1/13/81	Linda Lang	222 Woodworth Msl 549-1623	
1/13/81	Linda Wiedrich	135 Corbin Hill W.S.M.	
1/13/81	Phyllis Johnson	1030 Greka Court Msl 543-4271	
1/14/81	Auntie Noble	316 A Straight St Msl 721-5531	
1/14/81	Marge Vargay	1327 Arthur Ave Msl, MT 549-5882	
1/14/80	Marjorie McKeel-Zoo	475 SE #4 Hn	

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1/13/81	John C. ...	14 Phillips Ave. Helena 59601	X
1/13/81	...	...	X
	Bruce McDonald	P.O. Box 9012 Helena	X
1/13/81	Richard J. ...	207 East Kent	X
1/13/81	Charles A. Canning	6221 River St. Missa 59443	X
7/11/81	Rebecca M. Lee	1045 South 1st West 221-3814	X
1/11/81	...	P.O. Box 770 Stevensville MD	X
1/13/81	...	...	X
1/13/81	...	...	X
1/13/81	Fattine Encandano	4291 Florence Helena 222-8857	X
1/13/81	...	530 University Ave Helena 228-4248	X
1/13/81	...	508 S 3rd Helena 513-3928	X
1/13/81	...	Box 20 Helena 59-34	X
1/13/81	...	...	X

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Robin Chisum-Auger

1814 S.G. W ST. 728-3824

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Norine A. Reed

518 So. 3rd W. #8-543-7737

1/14/81

Margaret Z. Gulrich

735 Elm St. Helena, MT. 728-8077

1-14-81

Robin S. Ames

503 So. 5th E. MSLA 543-4486

1-14-81

Dorinda Townsend

331 Roosevelt MSLA 728-2770

1-4-81

Ernie Howard

MSLA, MT

1-14-81

Henry Tillman Peter

180 NORTH 4th W. 721-1906

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Sally Brown

229 Daly St.

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Jill Hammer

303 Tremont Missoula

1/14

Sandra excharchat

5212 S 1W 7211028

1/14/81

George Hardman

4110 E. Pine St 543-7541

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Grant A. Smith

146 Woodfield #1 MSLA

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Doc excharchat

Grant Creek 549-43



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Jan 15 '80	Kathy Hume	438 McLeod 701-4292	
Jan 16 '80	Simon Kaye-gland	1203 Sherwood 549-3646	
Jan 16 '80	Michelle Hill	321 Miller Hill	
Jan 16 '80	Michelle Hill	301 Miller Hill	
Jan 16 '80	Michelle Hill	311 Miller Hill	
4/16/81	Rick Landini	316 DAIY MSA 543-5595	
4/17/81	Michael C. Granger	316 DAIY " 728-8721	
4/17/81	Michael Granger	316 Broadway 728-8721	
4/18/81	James B. Landini	316 DAIY Ave MSA 543-5595	
4/18/81	Michael C. Granger	604 S. 5th St. 728-8721	
4/19/81	Bonnie Adeline	At 1 Box 1403 Helena 771-3723	
4/19/81	Kathy Durham	125 Brooks MESA 543-5595	
4/19/81	James B. Landini	Box 41 C. Vando MSA 543-5595	

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1/13	John Schneebeger	103 WASHINGTON 9-0515	✓
1/13	Sarah Sweeney	204 E. Spruce no phone	✓
1/13	Till Penning	5-1049-14 NW. CAGGAY ALTA	✓
1/13	heraume Thomsen	216 Silver Brook Way. ALTA	✓
1/13	Michael S. Crater	402 E. Front Missoula	✓
1-13	Janet Lann	823 E. Hard MISSOULA, MT 59501	✓
1-13	Jim Salkin	402 Harrison, Missoula, MT	✓
1-13	Gary Hornick	R.D. 2 Weststockbridge Mass.	✓
1-13	Marney Thilo	1231 Kennedy Mole-	✓
1-13	Jacqueline Reed	339 Brandy Ugly MT Missoula	✓
1-13	Mark Andrusik	P.O. Box 9203, Missoula MT	✓
1-13	Scott Joffin	c/o 99 Arrowhead Dr.	✓
1-13	Rosemary Raphael	1616 Maurice Ave Missoula	✓

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30-	Susan Gheeby	San Shadins Creek Boyman Mt.		
1/31	John D. Danner	10000 Boyman - Boyman		
	Karen McDorman	519 N. Arthur Boyman	X	
-31	<del>Sarah T. Koon</del>	P.O. Box 2 Gallatin Bn		
2/31	W. Ch. Lamer	At. 1 Box 13 Manhattan		
-2-81	Meghan McKenna	918 N. Black	X	
3-81	Steve Lamer	418 So. 11th	X	
	Lamar L. Lamer	10000 Boyman		
5/84	Lamar L. Lamer	10000 317 Dy. Bn		
5/81	Sandra Lamer	Box 51 Boyman	✓	
5/81	Holly Lamer	Box 51 Boyman	✓	
5/81	Lamar L. Lamer	Box 51 Boyman		
11/81	Lamar L. Lamer	Box 51 Boyman		
5/81	Lamar L. Lamer	Box 51 Boyman	X	

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1/20/81	Marilyn Miller	1231 Kennett Alaska 727-3286	✓	✓
1/20/81	Mary Ann L. Green	600 Tool Ave. Moa	✓	✓
1/20/81	Joan Kinnel	2202 S 6th W Moa 543-4988	✓	✓
1/20/81	Edith May	91 W. Food Center Box 507 St. Ignace, MT 59265	✓	✓
1/20/81	David Munk	1/2 The Tofa Fraternity, 12th, Box 216 St. Ignace, MT	✓	✓
1-21-81	Theresa Valachi	#51 Denney Hall - Vof M - Missoula, MT	✓	✓
1-21-81	Jim & Mary	415 Ford Missoula MT 597-6530	✓	✓
1-21-81	Theresa Valachi	131 S. Higgins #701 Missoula	✓	✓
1-21-81	Debra H. Benson	1935 Rutledge Dr. Missoula, MT	✓	✓
1-21-81	Theresa Valachi	239 Livingston Ave. Missoula, MT	✓	✓
1-21-81	Patricia A. Farn	1420 Jackson St. Moa, MT	✓	✓
1-21-81	David Munk	1117 Williams Ave. Moa, MT	✓	✓
1/21/81	Tom Busby	414 N. 2nd St. Moa, MT	✓	✓



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11/11/80	Medaniel L. H. 300	874 S. 3rd - 6-6967		
12/22/80	Cynthia E. Hiler	24 East Peach St. 6-9038	✓	
12/31/80	Rita Riessa	3 East Avenue, 64075		
12/31/80	Robert J. Hiler	3175 Bridgeway C. Rd.		
12/31/80	John J. Hiler	Box 1375 Stegeman 7-1516		

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12-19-80	Kristina Cook	1303 Driftwood Dr 587-2598		
12-19-80	Tracy Kellum	3 E. Fairbairn #1 586-4075		
12-19-80	Deady Caryk	Street #12 Box 150 Lewis 682-4967		
12/19/80	Wendy Kellum	" " " " " "		
12/19/80	Jacqueline Coffey	522 1/2 W main Bismarck 7-8594		
12/19/80	Ueki Allen	615 E. Davis " " " "		
12/19/80	Sharon Jorgensen	611 Canyon Ln. #3 " " " "		
12/19/80	Sara Anderson	1010 S. Grand Bismarck		
12/20/80	Ruth Sawlson	400 Henry Drive Belgrade		
12/20/80	Regina Allen	305 E. Story Bozeman		
12/20/80	Susan Lenz	202 N. Broadway		
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12/20/80	Jessica T. Wilson	608 Everett St. Big Timber Mont 59011 - 932-2735		✓
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	Cheryl Buchanan	812 Madison St. Big Timber		
12/22/80	Renee Ferguson	Box 581 Big Timber 932-2738	✓	
12-22-80	James Smith	Box 1028 Big Timber MT. 932-3320	✓	
12/22/80	Charles L. Martinez	Box 773 Big Timber MT 932-2838	✓	
12/22/80	Guendolene E. Ferguson	Box 581 Big Timber MT. 932-2738	✓	
12/22/80	John R. Dwyer	Box 531 Big Timber Montana 932-2070	✓	
12/22/80	Juan M. Buchanan	116 No. 6th Livingston, MT. 202-7124	✓	
12/22/80	Michael Clark	Alexand, Mont. 59052	✓	
12/22/80	R. Jean Powell	Box 1193 Big Timber 59011	✓	
12/22/80	Lanala To Powell	Box 493 Big Timber MT. 59011	✓	

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12/22	Thonda Lynn McLeod	Box 553 Big Timber, MT. 59011	✓	✓
12/22	Thad Fitchner	Box 1036 Big Timber, MT. 59011	✓	✓
12/22	Sharon Campbell	Box 483 Big Timber, MT. 59011	✓	✓
12/22	Gwen York	Box 574 Big Timber, MT	✓	✓
12/22	Gerry Ryker	Box 80 Big Timber, MT	✓	✓
Dec 22	John R. Rosenberg	Box 476 Big Timber, MT.	✓	✓
12/22	Deanna J. Dwyer	Box 671 Big Timber, MT	✓	✓
12/22	Deanna Dwyer	Box 419 B.T. MT 59011	✓	✓
12/22	Deanne Stone	Melville Rte. Box 107 Big Timber, MT. 59011	✓	✓
12/23	Deanne Stone	Box 238 Big Timber, MT. 59011	✓	✓
12/23	Deanne Stone	McCallie Rd Big Timber, MT.	✓	✓
12-23	Deanne Stone	Box 1185 Big Timber, MT	✓	✓
12-23	Deanne Stone	Box 1225 Big Timber, MT	✓	✓

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Dec 13	Thomas W. Lloyd	Leach F 21th Big Timber	✓	✓
Dec 23	ORR	PO 949 BIG TIMBER, MT.	✓	
Dec 23	Mary P. [unclear]	Big Timber, mt.	✓	
Dec 23	Lance S. [unclear]	Box 269, Big Timber, mt.	✓	
Dec 23	Catherine A. [unclear]	PO Box 845, Big Timber, mt.	✓	✓
Dec 23	Sally Remmberg	Box 476 Big Timber, Montana	✓	
Dec 23	Theresa A. [unclear]	Box 925 Big Timber MONT.	✓	
Dec 23	Wanda D. Baird	Box 789 Big Timber, MT	✓	
Dec 23	Wanda J. Baird	Box 789 Big Timber, MT	✓	
Dec 23	Therese Manson	Box 86 Big Timber, mt.	✓	✓
Dec 24	Dianne Hilby	Box 944 Big Timber, MT		
Dec 24	Diane K. Miller	Box 245 Big Timber, mt.	✓	
Dec 24	Klan W. Miller	Box 245 Big Timber, mt.	✓	

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12-15-80	Michael Sullivan	Box 21A Bundy Pt, Laina, MT		
12-16-80	HANK SULLIVAN	Box 4550 Roundup, Green 59012, Rt Roundup		
12-16-80	Maureen Sullivan	4050 Roundup, Green 59012, Roundup		
12-16-80	Angela P. Smith			
12-18-80	Wm. E. Smith	Roundup, MT 59072		
12-18-80	Margaret Smith	Roundup, MT 59072, 323-2192		
12-18-80	Robert P. Smith	Roundup, MT 59072, 323-2192		
12-26-80	Lori Barlean	Roundup, MT 59072 323-1329		
12-26-80	Robin D. Paulin	Roundup, MT 59072		
12-26-80	Patti Taylor	Roundup, MT 59072		
12/26-80	Hayel Shides	" " "		
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Dec 2980	Tanet H. Larson	305 1st St. West Roundup 323 2136		
12/29/80	Doris Miller	My Ranch Roundup 323-1171		✓
12/29/80	Gail Miller	" "		"
12-30-80	Wendy Rae Wickland	Box 514 Roundup Mont 323-1309		
12-30-80	Gary A. Mackland	Box 514 Roundup Mont. 323-1309		
12-29-80	Fernando Stadel	1422 1/2 E. Eddy Roundup 323-2137		
12-29-80	Debra Thomas	507 1st St East Roundup-323-1251		
12-29-80	Tamie Moore	1021 3rd St. East Roundup 323-1208		
12-29-80	Suzanne Larsen	819 2nd St. West Roundup-323-1816		
12-29-80	Vivie Smith	16 9th Ave. West Roundup 323-1766		
12-29-80	Nancy Dambis	801 3rd St West Roundup MT 323-2404		
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12-16-80 Jerry Linnery

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12/16/80	Daniel B. Anderson	Red Lodge, MT	X	
12/16/80	Emily Ringer	Red Lodge, MT		
12/16/80	Mairissa Gabe	Red Lodge, MT		
12/16/80	Tary Marx	Red Lodge, MT	X	
12/16/80	Blair M. Bramble	Red Lodge, MT	X	
12/18/80	Sandra M. Kellum	Red Lodge, MT - Box 2021	X	
12/18/80	Annifer Genson	Red Lodge, MT	X	X
12/18/80	Archie Genson	Red Lodge 446-1144	X	
12/18/80	Barbara Creamsky	Red Lodge, MT 446-2690		
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Dec 11 80	Mary Furlong	Box 571 Red Lodge MT 446-1252	✓	✓
12/11/80	Shirley R. Kent	General Delivery Red Lodge, MT 446	✓	✓
2/11/80	Elaine Runkert	Box 371 Red Lodge 446-2402	✓	✓
12-11-80	Jeanne Polo	Box 502 " " 2561	✓	✓
12/11/80	Martha L. Young	Box 563 Red Lodge 446-1009	✓	✓
12/13/80	Vicki Carr	Box 19-B Rt 1 Luther 446-2016	✓	✓
12/13/80	Michelle Wood	Box 2003 Red Lodge -	✓	✓
12/13/80	Elizabeth Seaborn	Box 821 Red Lodge 446-1342	✓	✓
12/15/80	Clifford S. Clark	Rt 2 Box 124 Red Lodge 446-2231	✓	✓
12/15/80	David Fry	Red Lodge	✓	✓
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12/21	Beverly Marshall	Box 576 Lib. MT	✓	
12/20	Susan J. McAfee	Box 133 Red Lodge 446-2492	✓	
12/20	Suzanne Gruber	RR #2 Box 129 Red Lodge	✓	
	Don S. Mower	Beacreek, Mont	✓	✓
12/23	Susan Sloan	Box 983, Red Lodge, MT	✓	
12/23	Sally Schuch	Box 430 - Red Lodge MT	✓	
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12/23	Bill Dow			
12/26	Beverly Johnson	Red Lodge, MT 59008	✓	
12/26	Judy Morrison	Red Lodge, Mt. 59068	✓	
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12/29/80	Jeanette Williams-Kuini		✓	
12/29/80	Marty J. Holliday		✓	
12/31/80	Jo Ann Wilmer	Roundup, MT	✓	LT-Student
	Cl. Elmer	Roundup, MT	✓	"
1-19-81	Mark Rutherford	Roundup, MT	✓	
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Testimony on HB 514. Presented to the House Public Health Committee 2/9/81 by  
Peter L. Burleigh, M.D.

Ladies and Gentleman:

I appreciate this opportunity to address this Committee. Your responsibility to investigate and evaluate legislative bills in the Health Care field is great. It is your responsibility to the citizens of Montana to enact legislation protecting and preserving their health. This is truly a challenging responsibility.

I would like to spend a few minutes discussing HB 514 entitled "An Act to Regulate The Practice of Midwifery"; establishing licensing procedures; establishing a board of midwives; and granting rule making authority. A similar bill, virtually word for word, was introduced in 1979 and wisely was defeated.

I am an Obstetrician and Gynecologist. I am certified by the American Board of OB-GYN and am licensed to practice in the State of Montana. I have unrestricted privileges to practice obstetrics in both hospitals in Great Falls.

During my training I worked closely with a clinical nurse midwife program. I am fully aware of the training program, qualifications, and abilities of nurse midwives. In a setting of direct and indirect physician supervision, a registered nurse midwife can provide an option for delivery which is safe for the mother and child. Nurse midwife training programs are well established, well regulated, and well monitored by health officials. Montana has licensing procedures for nurse midwives. However, this bill relates to non nurse or lay midwives.

The bill establishes a board of midwives which has only two established health professionals, a licensed physician and a nurse midwife. The other seven members are potentially entirely outside the medical establishment as we know it. This leaves a potential problem of this board establishing training programs and testing procedures leading to licensure which are of poor quality or even contrary to current medical knowledge in the field of obstetrics. I do not feel it is wise for the legislature to establish a board which is outside of our current laws regulating the practice of medicine and nursing in Montana.

Section 4 Subsection 2 (Page 3 line 12) of this bill details the subjects which will be covered on the written oral and practical examinations. It spans the expertise of these professionals: The Obstetrician, Gynecologist, Pathologist, Pediatrician, nursing specialists in labor, delivery, postpartum care, routine and intensive care nursery, and the medical social services persons. I do not believe that the bill explains how any one individual can obtain adequate training to have a thorough, or even cursory, knowledge in these subjects.

Section 4, Subsection 3 (page 3 line 20) indicates cross licensure with other states. Lay midwifery training programs are not standardized or regulated adequately to accept training or licensure from other areas without in-depth study into their qualification. As of 1978 30 states specifically legislate against lay midwifery. Only 3 states have licensure statutes. 48 states license nurse midwives. Again, this shows the difference in the quality of training and abilities of N.M.W. as opposed to lay midwives.

Section 5 (page 4, line 6) empowers the Department of Health and Environmental Sciences with developing rules to require an education minimum such as a high school graduation or having taken (but not necessarily passed) a general education development test. This Section also states on page 5, line 2-6 that the lay midwife will be able to recognize abnormal conditions during labor and provide reasonable and necessary safeguards

for the health and safety of mother and child.

Ladies and Gentleman, I spent 12 years of post high school training learning to do that very thing. Although, I may be a slow learner, I do not feel that a 1 year apprentice program of watching a poorly trained midwife performing home deliveries will educate a person to recognize abnormal labor condition and take appropriate steps to safeguard the life and safety of the mother and child.

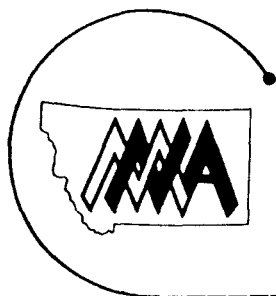
Many studies have shown that the perinatal mortality rates of home deliveries are 2-5 times higher than the mortality rates of hospital deliveries. These statistics are reflected in a practical sense within the State of Montana.

Our widest use of lay midwives has occurred within the communes of the Hutterite colonies. These midwives have been trained by apprenticeship and regulated by colony hierarchy. The colonies have gradually phased out their use so that only a few colonies have midwives. These colonies are mostly located in medically isolated communities. In addition most Hutterite families elect to be delivered in a hospital setting by the medical community. The reason for this shift in medical care is the safety to the mother and child.

I feel that there are 3 priorities in the delivery process. First, the life and health of the mother, second the life and health of the baby, and third the psychological experience of the mother and family during the birth of the child. I recognize that the concept of lay midwives and home deliveries is designed to improve the psychological experience. However, I am afraid that this will compromise priorities numbers 1 and 2. In the last 5 years lay organizations such as Lamaze programs have made advances in changing hospital procedures by working with physician, nurses, and hospitals. While this process has been slow, it has not jeopardized the safety of the mother and child. The areas of improvement include more relaxed visiting hours for family and friends, father and other support persons in the delivery room or operating room in the case of Cesarean birth, alternative birthing room deliveries, and most importantly, improved awareness by nurses and physicians as to the psychological needs of the mother and father. I feel that continued improvement can be made, within the system, and that this can be done safely.

In conclusion I suggest that this bill represents a step backwards in the safe care of mother and child and that a negative recommendation by this Committee would be in the best interest of the citizens of Montana.

I thank you.



# Montana Nurses' Association

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## TESTIMONY ON HB 514:

The Montana Nurses' Association is opposed to House Bill 514 to license midwives.

At a time of sunseting boards and cutting back on government bureaucrats this bill asks that yet another board established. Another nine-member board will have an additional financial impact on state government.

Licensure is for the protection of the public. The public expects that a licensed individual is an "expert" in that area. We believe that to gain sufficient knowledge to attend to a birth of a child requires the medical background of a physician or a registered nurse who has additional training as a midwife and has successfully passed the certifying exam of the American College of Nurse-Midwives.

Quality prenatal care is crucial to a successful pregnancy outcome. It is crucial to successful acceptance of the new parent role. To administer this care requires intensive study in order to gain the necessary indepth knowledge in obstetrics. This training is also crucial to watch for deviations from the normal pregnancy. We do not believe that a midwife with the "obscure" training required in House Bill 514 will have the knowledge required to provide quality prenatal care and attend to a home birth with any type of complications.

We urge this Committee to recommend a "do not pass" on House Bill 514.

## VISITORS' REGISTER

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G. Brian Zins	Helena	MT, MEd. Asso.		✓
Jaqueline McKnight	"	DHES		
C. Pratt MD	"	DHES		
Janie Cromwell	Butte	Board of Nursing		✓
Peter Dunleavy	Great Falls	MMA		✓
John P. Reamy	Helena	MHA		✓
John Books	Columbus			✓
Laurie Anderson	Red Lodge	MOM	✓	
Elaine Bentall	Red Lodge	MOM	✓	
Grant M. Wain	Missoula Mslac Comm Hosp	mslac comm Hosp	✓	
Ms. Karen Webb	Helena	self	✓	
Miss M. Webb	621 2nd Helena	self	✓	
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Janette Burton	Red Lodge	Consumer	✓	
Jackie Cain	Butte	Consumer	✓	
Jim Reese	Poplar	Comm Hospital		✓
Paul H. Hays	"	"		✓
M. J. Clark	"	"		✓
Sam McLeod	Butte	Fallen Men Hosp		✓
Paul Nye	Bainville	Russell Memorial Hosp		✓
Barry Grizzle	Helena	"		✓

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Thomas Metzger	Kalispell	Kalispell Reg Hosp.	✓
John Hyslop	Kalispell	Kalispell Reg. Hospital	✓
Kathleen Peters	Butte	self	✓
Cynthia Kaiser	Butte	certified nurse-midwives	✓
Bob Brashers	Choteau	Teton Medical Center	✓
Elizabeth Scanlon	Red Lodge	Montanans for Midwives	✓
Flora Mikulak	Helena	MMA	✓
Judy D. Orr	Helena	Mt. Nurses Assoc.	✓
James M. Holcomb	Shelby	Teton Cty Hosp	✓
Richard Brown	Choteau	Lib. Cty Hospital	✓
Delmar Wolfe	"	"	✓
Mae Lurie	Butte	public	✓
Robin Redmond	Butte	self	✓
Ann Hertz	Butte	self	✓
Michael Boerger	Helena	self	✓
DeAnn Urban	Colstrip	public	✓
Kathie Swenson	Kalispell	public good	✓
Inez Zozula	Butte	self	✓
Mary Jennings	Butte	public	✓
Kathleen Peters	Butte	self	✓
Carce Shiel	Kalispell	self	✓
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Statement of Intent - HB 514

A statement of intent is required for this bill because it delegates rulemaking authority to the Department of Health and Environmental Sciences. The bill is intended to expand the authority of the department to adopt rules according to the Montana Administrative Procedure Act necessary to implement LC 1107, a bill to regulate the practice of midwifery.

It is contemplated that the rules should address the following subjects as well as others:

1. Procedures for guaranteeing that a midwife is free from communicable disease including defining "communicable disease" and requiring a physical examination by a licensed physician;
2. Minimum training requirements such as length of apprenticeship under a certified or licensed midwife;
3. Limitations on the practice of midwifery such as administering drugs and prescribing medical treatment;
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Dec 10/1980	William B. Underwood	Box 812 Red Lodge		
12/10/80	W. Bruce St. John	902 S. Grant R.L.		
Dec 10/80	Deborah Novakany	Box 2253 R.L.		
Dec 10/80	Pat Rull	Box 2034 R.L.		
Dec 11/80	Ernie Edmundo	Box 552 Red Lodge	X	
Dec 12/80	Paul G. Dickinson	1001 Howard Billings		
Dec 12, 1980	Charles Mark Johnson	Box 56 Red Lodge Mont 59068		
DEC 12 80	James B. Linn	PO BOX 552 RED LODGE MONT	X	
Dec 12-80	Danaher B. Johnson	Box 552 RED LODGE MONT	X	
12-12-80	Todd Koepf	1112 Denway Place Billings Mont		X
12-13-80	Diane Young	POB 563 Red Lodge	X	
12-13-80	James Smith	Box 326 Red Lodge AL 59068	X	



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2/1/81	Joseph P. Jankowski	1027 5th Ave. E.		
2-2-81	Don A. Bair	179 5th Ave. W. N. Kalispell	✓	
2/5/81	Leslie Dillon	Box 3, Highway House Mt. 59919	✓	
2/5/81	Carol Leigh	Box 78 Coram, MT. no phone		✓
2/16/81	Glenn Snyder (SNYDER)	Box 112 Kila, MT 59900		
1/6/81	Jarvis Strong	1700 Hwy. 2 west Kalispell, MT 59901		
1/6/81	Michael R. Stapp (Stapp)	174 1/2 2nd Ave E. Kalispell		
1/6/81	Steven G. Stapp	Box 50, Fondre DC Bitter		
1/6/81	Michelle Gestala-Carnicom	PO Box 56 Marion, MT. 59925		
1/7/81	Jack Krause	179 5th Ave W. Kalispell		
1/7/81	Wayne Brubaker	P.O. Box 3293, Missoula, MT.	✓	
1/8/81	KATHY LEWIS	Box 12, TREBO, MT. 59934	✓	
1/8/81	Sharon L. Wilkerson	Box 112 Highway House, MT. 59919	✓	

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12/3/80	Mary C. Peterson	Box 463 Hardrock MT 59030	✓	
12/31/80	Debra Henderson	Box 243 Hardrock MT 59030	✓	
12/3/80	Maureen Whittney	General Delivery, Hardrock MT 59030	✓	✓
12/31/80	Lois H. H. H.	General Delivery, Hardrock MT 59030	✓	
12/31/80	Curtis Whittney	Box 462 Hardrock Mt. 59030		
1/1/81	Michael T. T.	Box 191 Gardiner, MT 59030 848-7240	✓	✓
1/4/81	Gary Boyer	511 N. 6th St., Livingston 59047 222-7852	✓	
1/4/81	Maureen Whittney	511 N. 6th St. Livingston, MT 59047 222-7852	✓	
1/4/81	Gladys Boyer	511 N. 6th St. Livingston, MT 59047 222-7852	✓	

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22 Dec 80	JEFFERY JOSEPH CURE	205 S. BOZEMAN, BOZEMAN, MT.	X	
X 12-21-80	Cathy Booth	Box 1799, Bozeman, MT 59715	X	
X 12-24-80	Annalee Dorell	617 E. Laramie, Bozeman, MT	X	
12-26-80	Guzanne Schuster	621 S. Grand, Bozeman, MT		
12-27-80	Josephine H. Harnett	802 Box 300, Livingston, MT 59026		
12-27-80	Josephine H. Harnett	1111 1st St, Livingston, MT		
12-27-80	Josephine H. Harnett	215 PERKINS PL, Bozeman		
X 1-2-81	Yvonne B. Lough (Khalsa)	75 Kaunt & Co, Bozeman	X	
12-27-80	Yvonne B. Lough (Khalsa)	75 Kaunt & Co, Bozeman, MT	X	
12-30-80	ERIK NOER NELSEN	701 W. ROUSE, A' BOZEMAN, MT.		
X 1-30-80	Annalee Dorell	24-1, Box 75, Manhattan, MT 59474	X	
12-30-80	Wendy Riddle	McLeod, Mont. 59052		
12-30-80	Janice C. Christensen	121 S. Laramie, Bozeman, MT		

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1/17/81	Donna Williams	519 E Main		
1/17/81	Patricia A. Hoffmann	107 1/2 South 2nd West 549-3752	✓	
1/17/81	Phyllis Johnson	702 West 1st 545-1408		
1/17/81	Valerie Brown	501 Dwyer St.		
1/18/81	Judith K. Peak	534 N. 2nd 549-5542	✓	
1/19/81	Christa K. Kline	720 1/2 Longstaff St. Missoula 59801	✓	
1/19/81	earlyn black	box 9003, Missoula 59807		
1/19/81	Peggy McGee	401 South 3rd West 59801	✓	
1/19/81	Apphia L. Linn	107 3rd St. #9 Missoula	✓	
1/19/81	Nora A. Sellm	Box 101, Milltown MT 5945575		
1/19/81	Leslie A. Harris	1028 S. 6th W. 549-9784		
1/19/81	Roberta Ann Kline	720 1/2 Longstaff 728-5624	✓	

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1/13/81	Donna McMannery	150 SW Higgins	✓
1/13/81	Dennis Sigler	4404 Mount	✓
1/13/81	Rebecca Founds	510 Garnett Ct	✓
1/13/81	DeLoe	735 N. 4th St.	
1/13/81	Amy A. Hentken	625 Phillips, Missoula	
1/13/81	Jody J. Frank	1905 Ernest, Missoula	✓
1/13/81	Eric DeBally	Aber Hall Rm. 1057	✓
1/13/81	Janice L. Bonham	2414 Raymond Missoula	✓
1/13/81	Kenya L. Boy	436 Ford - Apt 106 Missoula	✓
1/13/81	Shirley Caldwell	326 E Spruce Missoula	✓
1/13/81	Gina Howard	1104 Pine St.	✓
1/13/81	Lynne Brown	107 Helena Ct	✓
1-13-81	Wb. J. J. J.	13 E. 7th St.	✓

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"	Chucky Abram	316 Oakley 1/13/81	
"	Budd Jordan	100 JEFFERSON MISSOULA	
1/19/81	Barbara J. Haulenback	409 E. Pine #3 549-6325 MISSOULA MT.	
1/20/81	Robert Rogers	Box 670 Hwy 83N Seeley Lake 59865 ✓	
1/20/81	Lafayette G. Gentry	Box 620 Hwy 83N Seeley Lake 59865 ✓	
1/20/81	Mavis M. Redmond	2131 Missoula Ave. Missoula 5971-2318	
1-20-81	Shirley Dumas	Box 144 Stevensville MT	
1-20-81	Cheryl Gentry	1533 JACKSON Mile	
1-20-81	Mary C Anthony	Box 372 milltown MT 59853-5359	
1/20/81	Kathryn Ottman	536 Connell Missoula 7215948	
1/20/81	Gay Shumate	PO Box 7524 Miles	
1/20/81	Alvin W. Wingo	1125 Main St	

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X 12/27	David Sullivan	827 SE Helena 442-0264
X 12/29/80	Kate Williamson	616 1/2 N 24th St, Bldg 2458611
X 11/11	Patricia S. Williamson	616 1/2 N 24th Bldg 245-8611
X 12/29/80	Sandy Dvarenchik	Box 67 Rt 1 Urdaw 967-6758
→ 12/29/80	Nancy Stephens	Rd 1 Rd 7 Blounty Montana
	Op Dellow	Rad Sedgey Montana
1-3-81	Patricia Long	Bellinge, NV
→ 1-3-81	Ellen Smith	417 Lewis, Bellinge
"	Mervyn Smith	"
→ 1-3-81	Carol Blackwell	2731 N. Phyllis Circle - Bellinge 680-2634
1-5-81	Nancy Spurgeon	15th St Willard 301 2nd Ave
1-5-81	Mary Anne	307 S 10 Livingston Mt.
1-22-81	Leanne Hill	335 C St W. Missoula

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12/1/80	Baron O'Hara	928 Broadwater Ctr.	X
12/12/80	David Simpson	620 3rd West Billings MT 59101	X
12/12/80	Pat McNeive	2304 Pine, Billings 59101	
12/12/80	Genea T. Leary	2003 W. Willowbrook Billings 59102	
12/12/80	Barbara McCraw	931 Harvard, Bldg. 59101	X
12/19/80	Carolyn L. Carter	624 Cottonwood Lane Law 59144	X
12/18/80	Deanne McHugh	Box 77 Billings MT. 59103	
12/22/80	Shirley	615 St. Pauline Dr. MT 59101	X
12-23-80	Gerard McKenna	50 R.F. Box 63 Lawina MT 55046	X
12-23-80	Mary Jean	Bundy Rd. Lawina MT	
12/21/80	Jim LARKE	1605-9th. Av. So. Great Falls MT 59405	
12/21/80	Donna Parker	1605-9th Ave. So. Great Falls MT 59405	



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1/13/81 Suzanne Abouelfadl

1/13/81 Gwen Jarnswiler

1/13/81 Deanna Turk

1/13/81 Molly Deluska

1/13/81 Loda Upton

1/13/81 Susan M McEwen

1/13/81 Brian E. Curtis

1/13/81 James A. Hays

1/13/81 Connie Skyles

1/13/81 Sherry Vogel

1/13/81 James W. Wilson

1/13/81 Ellen Kay Findley

1/13/81 Bryan D. Spillman

637 Longstaff 549-0392

Box 373 Toole, Mont. 59847 -273-2344

425 Madison Ave. Apt. #1 Missoula MT 59801

1030 Mannai Helena MT.

1500 McDonald #31 Missoula, MT

619 Ronald. Missoula

1616 Maurice Missoula MT.

323 Cleveland Missoula MT 59801

302 S. 4th W. Missoula MT 59801 541-0933

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12/13/80	Kerith A. Zimmer	Box 493 RED LODGE (446 2161) - MT 59068	
12/13/80	Patricia C. Zimmer	Box 493 Red Lodge, Mt. 446-2161	
12-13-80	Dorothy Egan	Box 751 Red Lodge, MT 446-1594	
12-15-80	Michael	Box 2208 " " 446-1164	
12-15-80	William B. Hall	Box 193 Red Lodge, MT. 446-1942	
12-26-80	Lynda Waldo	P.O. Box 191 Red Lodge, MT. 446-2442	
12-26-80	Lawrence Hall	Box 345 Red Lodge, MT 446-2252	
12/29/80	Stephen E. Trifunovic	Box 837 Red Lodge, MT 446-1458	
1/12/81	Loren V. Kleser	Box 579 Red Lodge 446-2699	
1/20/81	David C. Meyer	Box 5 Red Lodge, Mt. 446-1609	
1/25/81	Robert D. Mearns	Box 267 Red Lodge, Mt. 446-1198	



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1/12/81	M. S. Lawrence	Box 814 Red Lodge 446-2524	
1/12/81	Theresa C. Hawthorn	Box 814 Red Lodge 446-2524	
1/17/81	Mary Coates	" " "	
1/15/81	John F. Roberts	Red Lodge (Gen. Del.)	
1/14/81	Bill Karkel		
1/19/81	Edith Lund	Red Lodge Mt - 446-1337	
1/22/81	Robert	Box 118 Red Lodge, Mt. 446-2440	X
1/24/81	William Johnson MD	Box 764 Lewisburg Mt 538-8577	
1/24/81	M. Brady	2902 Lehigh Billings	
"	S. G. Galt	" " "	
"	S. Galt	4211 Mitchell	X
"	M. Mayhew	Box 791 Red Lodge	X
1/81	Pat Anderson	Box 34 Roberts	X

Luther  
Roundup  
Red Lodge  
Billings  
Mola  
Timpone  
Gardner  
Big Timber  
Bozeman  
Kalispell  
Hamilton  
Libby  
Helena

NAME Mrs. Barry Webb (Karen) BILL No. HB 514  
ADDRESS 840 Silverette St. DATE 2/9/81  
WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT myself  
SUPPORT yes OPPOSE \_\_\_\_\_ AMEND \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH SECRETARY.

Comments:

I would like to present a few thoughts for your consideration. I have lived in Britain for nearly 3 years where I became well acquainted with several nurse midwives and was surprised to learn that midwifery practice was an accepted "way of life" in British society and midwifery training is an easily obtainable training within the nursing degree. That is it is not only made available at much additional expense and special schooling. I do not have statistics but most babies in Britain are delivered at home under the care of a midwife who even gives all prenatal care. My question is why is there only one qualified midwife in the State of Montana?

My own relationships with two registered nurses (one being in a position of authority in Lewis and Clark County) causes me to offer an explanation. The first nurse in the position of authority wants very much to become a qualified midwife but is waiting and hoping for changes in the attitudes of AMA doctors in this county for she fears for her job because of the negative psychological pressure

against her obtaining such training.

The second nurse has inquired to different schools of midwifery training and the one closest to her in Denver, I believe, would cost her \$20,000 approximately to attend. These figures are common. ~~So~~ This is in addition to her training already received as a nurse. Therefore, she has made the decision to enroll in the Air Force costing her much extra commitment for training to enable her to have her education paid for by the Armed Services.

NAME Robert J. ...

BILL No. 514

ADDRESS 1416 14th St N

DATE 2-2-57

WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT MASSACHUSETTS

SUPPORT X OPPOSE \_\_\_\_\_ AMEND \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH SECRETARY.

Comments:

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 I think that the choice of a positive natural choice  
 for women who desire a safe birth is being  
 chosen. We are not going to go with a  
 "safe" birth - the choice. - it is  
 of birth. - we are not going to  
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 any reason for those persons involved in  
 hospital to feel they are acting in a criminal  
 manner. Many grandmothers had birth at home and  
 the birth is to be a birth. This is a safe,  
 responsible fashion. Safety is not a hospital  
 sanction nor is it the medical field. It is  
 definitely a choice to those who want to  
 remain alert and responsible in their actions.  
 Birth is a birth. It is not a birth. It is  
 as full of birth as a birth. It is not a birth.  
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NAME Elaine Reenhart BILL No. 514  
ADDRESS Box 371 Red Lodge DATE 2.9.87  
WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT Montanans for Midwives  
SUPPORT Yes OPPOSE \_\_\_\_\_ AMEND \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH SECRETARY.

Comments:

Being in support of this bill my motives are for qualified birth attendants to be screened - and licensed to attend a mother throughout her pregnancy. There is much need for this; it will help parents whom would otherwise do it on their own, it would provide for an easier more natural setting and birth - in most cases; - and it will help ~~over~~ to form such an important bond within the family. The medical profession offers no such opportunity. It's their place, time, and convenience. Not the natural way in which it is meant to occur.

NAME Vanetta Burton BILL No. 514  
ADDRESS Box 2114 - Red Lodge DATE 2-9-81  
WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT Montanans for Midwives  
SUPPORT ✓ OPPOSE \_\_\_\_\_ AMEND \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH SECRETARY.

Comments:

I have witnessed 2 home births in the last year. What impressed me most was the relaxed atmosphere that was available for these women while they were in labor. Free to move around their homes as they needed to. The other family members were all active with the birth for in some way. Many traditional hospital practices have made it easier for me to decide on a home birth when I do have a child. I support the bill and ask you to please pass HB 514.

NAME

Christine D. Mitchell

BILL No.

HB 514

ADDRESS

621 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Helena

DATE

2-9-81

WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT

myself

SUPPORT

Yes

OPPOSE

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Comments:

I have given birth 4 times. I have been hospitalized 3 times and home. My first child was delivered with the help of forceps & I was unconscious. It was the most horrible experience. My second child was born natural in a hospital the doctor didn't make it so the labor nurse delivered her it was a good experience, but there was a lot missing & my whole labor & delivery was run by the staff. They decided that since my husband & I had been separated that I shouldn't have him with me even tho previous arrangements had been made to have him there & I wanted him there. My third child was born at home it was a wonderful experience for my husband, myself as well as my parents who attended. We had no complications. My midwife was well educated & came well prepared. My fourth child was born in a hospital we had planned a home delivery & complications did arise so we went to the hospital. The nurse at the hospital insisted that I start bearing down when I was dilated 7 centimeters. Which is way too soon but she wanted me to hurry up so they could make room for the next delivery. My cervix ripped & I bled quite profusely. By the way this was a nurse & my midwife & she was highly praised for her efforts. I might add that the midwife were supported by doctors & because of that I was able to go to the hospital during my complication & be met by a doctor who knew me & had my records & had checked me out before. I was a great experience.

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1/2/80	Gay D. Miller	Box 211 Red Lodge	X
1/5/80	Chick Vogt	Box 205 Red Lodge	X
1/5/80	Robert Williams	Box 206 Red Lodge	/
1-6-80	Patrick Doyle	Bx 54 Red Lodge	X
1-13-81	Wendy Magnus	Rt 1 Box 45	X
1/13/80	John Williams	215 N. Platt Red Lodge	X
1-13-81	Stacie Palmer	432 Johnson Ln. Red Lodge	X
	Jim Rock	432 Johnson	X
1-17	Charles Faye	Rt 1 Roberts	X
1-23	William Williams	Rt 1 Box 3A 446-1634	X

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1/12/81	Tom Fredericks		
1/13/81	Rich Weidman	329 E. Front St. Missoula	✓
1-13/80	John W. McE...	2311 Benton Missoula	
1-13-80	Robert Lynum	2346-Burlington, Helena	
1-13-81	Marva Shull	522 ...	
1-14-81	Sharon E. ...	1919 South St. Missoula	✓
1-14-81	D. A. Schumann	3120 Eldora Ln.	✓
1-14-81	Robert W. ...	712 Poplar Missoula	✓
1-14-81	...	34 Bancroft	✓
1-14-81	...	...	✓
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Jan 15 1981	Anna Christine Elliott	738 Toole Ave. #4 Missoula - (728-1126)	X
Jan 15 1981	Barbara W. Berninger	738 Toole Ave. #3 Missoula (728-1126)	X
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Jan 15 1981	J. May Wilson	738 Toole Ave. #4 Missoula (728-1126)	X
1-18-81	M.C. Wright	1600 Coolidge St	
1-18-81	Doug J. Cameron	921 West Spence	
1-18-81	Walter E. Williams	602 Blaine	
1-19-81	Robert A. Christensen	508 South 3rd St. W. #3 MSIA (MICHAEL D. STIENBARGER)	
1-19-81	Michael D. Stienbarger	527 EDDY, #4 MISSOULA, MT	
1-19-81	Monty Black	P.O. Box 376 Missoula, MT 59801	
Jan 19 81	Leslie (C) Connel	241 Valley Dr. Missoula, MT 59801	X
1-19-81	James Henderson	1544 Rutledge Ave. Missoula, MT 59801	X
Jan 19 81	Calvin Post Lawry	504 Blaine Missoula 728-2542	

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1/14/81	Rachy Munson - Young	Box 297, St. Ignace, MT 59865	✓
1/14/81	Stephen Haraden	1438 Harrison, Missoula, MT 59819	✓
1-14-81	C. Brantine Lammert	Rosalia, MT.	✓
1-14-81	Victoria Shorter	614 E. 2nd, Missoula	✓
1-14-81	Amy Dittmer	712 South 1st West, Missoula	✓
1-14-81	Jim Swift	924 Cooley St - 549-0408	✓
1-14-81	Laurie Sutherland	Rt 7 - Box 216 St. Ignace	✓
1/14/81	Kathleen D. Fletcher	606 North 4th West, Missoula	✓
1/14/81	Aimee Y Clarke	Box 7582, Missoula, MT	✓
1/15/81	Scott Higgins	Box 1043, Canyon, MT	✓
1-15-81	Jean Rice	814 1st, Missoula, MT	✓
1-15-81	Deanna M. Azota	20 1/2 Longstaff, Missoula	✓
1-15-81	Rebecca Crowley	430 S 6th E, Missoula	✓

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Jan 13/81	Robinson Bissell	1210 Howell, Missoula, 543-6884	✓
	Aun Wauden	1229 S 3rd W. Missoula	✓
Jan 14/81	Lina Saeal	2815 S. 3rd W. Missoula	✓
1/14/81	Ronald E. Gunn	2815 S. 3rd W. MSLA	✓
4 Jan 81	David B. McKisson	237 1/2 E Front apt E MSLA	
14 Jan 81	Gant Hawran	Box 211 Everettown MT. 59834	✓
Jan. 14/81	Linda Jay Peterson	535 Myrtle, apt. A, MSLA 543-4342	
Jan. 14/81	Thermeria J. Francaschi	232 N. 1st, MSLA, no phone	✓
1/14/81	Gay Widener	1002 S 6th W. MSLA, MT	✓
1/15/81	Richard Steggo	725 Van Buren. MSLA MT 54801	
1/15/81	DIANE ANTOLIK	1859 MOUNT MSLA, MT.	✓
1-15-81	Dana Allen	5424 R 975 Clinton	✓
1-15-81	Ray J. Conway	1002 S 6th W. MSLA MT 59808	✓



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1/14/81	Leslie Underhill	194 STRAUP Ave 543-3222	
1/14/81	Michelle Med-Hayes	1941 Strand 543-3222	
1/14/81	Sigrid Nyström	631 W Alder 728-9826	✓
1/14/81	Ellen Atkins	736 Rollins 543-6137	X
1/14/81	Kenny Schuyfede	736 Rollins 543-6137	
1/14/81	Debra Wilson	114 Annshane Lolo 223-0496	
1/14/81	Cheryl Spain	P.O. Box 3224 721-5311	X
1/14/81	Eileen Clarke	# 710 West Pine 721-2316	X
1/14/81	Robert Jones	930 Poplar 728-1464	X
1/14/81	Patti Suggman	Rt. 2 Mullan Rd. none	X
1/17/81	Louise Shore	610 F. Kent 721-1391	X
	J. Davis	1820 Sherwood 3-6779	X
1/14-81	Bob Wollen	P.O. Box 1043 Carbon MT. No-Phone	X

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1-13-81	Robert R Brown	1020 Cherry, Missoula, MT 59704	
1-13-81	Patricia Hill	447 S. 2nd St. Missoula, MT 59704	
1-13-81	John Boyd Humphreys	Box 1000 Missoula, MT	
1/13/81	Patricia Ann Jamieson	1020 Cherry, Missoula 59704	
1/13/81	David A. Bickel	603 Stephens St. Missoula 59704	
1/13/81	Richard R. Kippen	610 Central Ave. Missoula 59704	
1/13/81	John C. P. Oling	517 Standard W. Missoula 59704	
1/13/81	Debbie Taylor-Wideman	815 So. 5th W. Missoula, MT	
1/13/81	Margaret W. Wabender	223 West Alder / Missoula, MT 59704	
1/13/81	John Wabender	223 West Alder / Missoula, MT 59704	
1/13/81	John Wabender	522 Hickory St. Missoula, MT 59704	
1/13/81	John Wabender	1100 4th St. Missoula, MT 59704	
1/13/81	Riley Browder	1235 Gerald Ave. Missoula, MT 59704	

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11/1/81	Allen Diller	507 Highland #1, Missoula	
11/2/81	John F. Johnson	600 S. Selw MSLA MT 549-5422	
11/11/81	Annex/D. Johnson	3412 S. 1st E MSLA MT 549-5435	X
11/14/81	William S. Petersen	1853 S. 17th W. MSLA, MT. 549-2914	
11/19/81	Lawrence Bush	417 Rollins MSLA, MT. 5	
11/21/81	Lawrence Bush	510 W. 1st St. MSLA MT 549-5743	
11/21/81	Robert Johnson	<del>510 W. 1st St.</del> 204 E. Spruce MSLA	X
11/21/81	John F. Johnson	P. Box 2334 Missoula MT 549-5435	
11/21/81	Annex/D. Johnson	1026 N. 1st St. #4, Missoula MT 549-5435	
11/21/81	John F. Johnson	414 S. Selw MSLA, MT 549-5422	X
11/21/81	Cathy Creed	1409 S. Selw MSLA MT 549-5435	X
11/21/81	John F. Johnson	101. KINGS ST APT #11, Missoula MT	
11/21/81	Rosanne Stangor	319 University Ave. Missoula MT	

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1-19-81	Lorraine Dozier	500-5558	✓
1-19-81	Jalisco Clark	500-5558	✓
1-19-81	Shelley Paces	500-5558	✓
1-19-81	Kelly Hays	500-5558	✓
1-19-81	Willa Wilkoff	500-5558	✓
1-19-81	Paul Simpson	500-5558	✓
1-19-81	Jim Montgomery	500-5558	✓
1-19-81	James C. Smith	500-5558	✓
1-19-81	Karen M. Townsend	500-5558	✓
1-19-81	Christina M. Walker	500-5558	✓
1-19-81	Jenny Walker	500-5558	✓
1-19-81	Karen M. Townsend	500-5558	✓
1-19-81	Charles Adams	500-5558	✓

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1-19-81	Ellen Wojciechowski	600 W. Kent, Missoula, 721-2595	
1-19-81	STEPHANIE D. NAPELLI	401 KEITH AVENUE, Missoula 594-6038	
1-19-81	Mary Carlson	333 North Ave. W.	
1-19-81	Christine A. Hunt	927 E. Buckwith, Missoula	
1-19-81	Thomas Mayhew	918 Howard, Missoula	
1-19-81	Mary Gibbs	232 South Ave. East, Missoula, MT	
1-19-81	JoAnne Dolan	303 S. 3rd W. Missoula, MT	
1/19/81	Cathie Mellon	1117 Rollins #1, Missoula, MT	
1-19-81	Louise M. Carthy	622 E. Pine, Missoula, MT	
1/19/81	James K. McKel	410 Brooks, Missoula, MT	
1/19/81	Edward J. Dohy	2312 B SHEPHERD LN, MISSOULA, MT	
1/19/81	Mary Jo Blackman	2101 S 13 W, Missoula, MT	
1/19/81	David H. Pe	1214 Ph. Dr. Missoula	

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1/19/81	Gail A. Williams	519 E. Front 728-9314	
1/19/81	Susan Langer Sieg	602 McCornick 728-0531	
1/19/81	Hilary Hays	417 Rollins 549-8976	
1/19/81	James B. Barrineau	P.O. Box 4373 Missoula 54806 728-4594	
1/19/81	Steve Summit	2001/2 EDITH Missoula 549-9389	
1/19/81	Beth Ann Tashiro	917 Rich. Ct. Missoula 721-2040	
1-19-81	Deborah L. Stenroos	215 Holme. St. Mola. 7773256	
1-19-81	Mary Eve Brown	239 Livingston Missa 721-3267	
1-19-81	Doree Prosser	422 Ford St. Apt. 3 Msk. 54798	
1-19-81	Alice Howe Austin	4741 Sundown Rd, Msla. 542-2591	
1-19-81	Paul Thomas	468 MILLER HALL, UOFM MSLA	
1/19/81	John A. J. Hest	603 Jewell St, Msla MT	
1/19/81	Margaret Helgeson	333 Fairview Ave Msla MT 543-4505	

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1-11-81	Trish Lopez	232 South 5th East 1/2 Sec 549-7121	✓
1-14-81	Nicki Pasano	2206 1/2 W SUSSEX MS14 728-4346	
1-16-81	Barbara J. Holen	P.O. Box 8496 Mankato MN 56007	
1-16-81	Margaret A. Kiley	Rt 2 Box 190A, Stevensville, MT 59871	
1-16-81	Judy M. Webb	Rt 1 Box 141 Stevensville, MT 59870	
1-16-81	Robert J. Kaylor	Rt 2 Box 190A, Stevensville, MT 59870	
1-16-81	Carol M. Parker	Rt 2 Box 90 Stevensville, MT 59870	
1-16-81	Robert L. Wainwright	515 1/2 W SUSSEX MS14 728-4346	
1-16-81	Picky Kainer	Rt 1 4615 NE Homer Lane Stevi, MT 59870	
1-16-81	Sharon L. Dill	Rt 3 NE 915 Pine Hollow Rd, Stevensville, MT 59870	
1-16-81	Judy Lee Jordan	Rt 1 Box 197C Stevensville, MT 59870	
1-16-81	Gary L. Wilcox	Rt 2 516 Owens Stevi MT 59870	
1-16-81	Robert L. Wainwright	Rt 2 516 Owens Stevi MT 59870	



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Randy Sigh

222 S 5th E Missoula

1/19/81

Rachel Alice Wood

Box 394 Columbia Falls 59912

1/19/81

Melinda Lynne Belanger

1036 1/2 Cherry - Missla MT 59801

1/19/81

Bonnie Rose

1945 McDonald 59801

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1-13-81	Leanna Morrison	619 Walnut Nevada 87282143	
1-13-81	Don Ingram	326 Barnack, Missoula, Mt. 5495373	
1-13-81	Marjorie McNeil	101 Riverside #22, MSLA	
1-13-81	Paula P. Hamilton	503 S. 6th E MSLA	
1-13-81	Ken Bond	334 Woodford Missoula	
1-13-81	David Branch	1735 GERALD AVE MISSOULA	
1-13-81	Richard Haines	1127 1st Street	
1-13-81	Richard Haines	901 Turner Missoula	
1-13-81	Michael E. King	516 E Grant MSLA	
1-13-81	Charles M. Capeland	415 Barnack MSLA	
1-13-81	William Rogers	1407 Greenwood	

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1/14/81	<i>Alan W. Smith</i>	309 Berkeley 728-1495	X	
1/14/81	<i>W.C. Reynolds</i>	7 Charis Ln 728-1772	X	
1-14-81	<i>Christine Amos</i>	812 Cherry St. 728-1733	X	
1-14-81	<i>Gynthia J. Braun</i>	724 Hastings 728-7868	X	
1-14-81	<i>Pamela Cobb</i>	2017 North Ave W 728-3333	X	
1-14-81	<i>Audley J. Greiser</i>	3300 Patter Canyon Rd. 549-4971	X	X
1-15-81	<i>Rocky Recinos</i>	7 Charis Lane 728-1772	X	
1-15-81	<i>William C. Bontz</i>	20720 Salsick Cr 349-9487	X	
1-15-81	<i>Elfr S. Dizon</i>	812 Cherry St. 728-1733	X	

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1-81	Gargan Th Johnson	110 Woodlands		
1-81	Louise E. Galt	437 Eddy Ave. 543-3646		
81	Kathleen Rayburn	216 St. Lawrence		
1-81	Phil Holman	110 W. Franklin		
1-81	S. L. Brogan	311 W. Kent 543-4611		
1-81	M. Z. Morgan	205 E. Kent 549-7317		
1-81	Mary Schumacher	528 So 5th W 543-3224		
81	Gail Eide	323 S. 3rd W 788-8513		
17-81	Michael P. Vaughan	815 E. FRONT 543-3435		
19-81	Charles K. Johnson	1434 Hancock St 549-1246		
1-81	Arley R. Swanson	Grant Creek 549-5373		
1-81	Robert Johnson	Billings Mt 259-5143		
1-81	Robert Johnson	144 1st W. 728-5171		





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NAME	RESIDENCE	REPRESENTING	SUPPORT	OPPOSE
Mont T. Leach	Helena, Mt.	Mt. Med. Assn.	✓	
Brian Tins	Helena	MT. Med. Assn.	✓	
Max Gmslander	Helena	MT United Med Assn		✓
ALPH GILDRUP	Helena	MT Health Sectory		✓
John B. Batts	Helena	MHA	✓	
Ken Rutledge	Helena		✓	
Ken Rahyans	Helena	Consumer		✓
Constance Burton	Red Lodge	Consumer	✓	
Douglas B. Orr	Helena	DHEC		✓
Michael E. Fontaine	Butte	ST. James	✓	
Jim Lowe	Poplar	Grum. Hospital	✓	
Paul H. H.	"	"	✓	
M. T. H.	"	"	✓	
Sam McLeod	Baker	Fallon Mem.	✓	
Rose Skoug	Helena	MT Nursing Home Assn.		✓
W. B. Walter	Boz		✓	
Harold L. Lohle	Boz	Bozeman Deaf Hosp	✓	
John N. N.	Bozeman	Boz. Memorial Hosp	✓	
Arden G. G.	Bozeman	Boz. " "	✓	
John K. K.	Bozeman	Northern Mt Hosp.	✓	
John H. H.	Glendive	Glendive Comm Hosp	✓	

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PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH SECRETARY.





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## PROPOSED RESOLUTION ON FUTURE OF HEALTH PLANNING

Approved by Board of Trustees  
for Submission to House of Delegates

February 3, 1981

## RESOLVED THAT:

- 1 A. The AHA actively seek immediate administrative and legislative
- 2 relief from onerous sanctions against states which do not desire
- 3 to fully implement certificate-of-need laws;
- 4 B. The American Hospital Association expedite the assessment of its
- 5 position and its membership's views on the National Health Planning
- 6 and Resources Development Act (P.L. 93-641);
- 7 C. Considering the likelihood that the Reagan Administration will move
- 8 to eliminate appropriations for state and local health planning, the
- 9 AHA will expedite the process described in paragraph B, will seek the
- 10 elimination of federal regulatory sanctions concurrently with the
- 11 elimination of federal funds, and will encourage an acceptable state
- 12 and local planning structure simultaneously with the dismantling of
- 13 the structure created by P.L. 93-641.

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February 4, 1981 - Adopted as amended  
Voice vote  
No recorded votes in opposition



# Montana Hospital Association

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TESTIMONY ON HB 458

by

Ken Rutledge, Vice President, Montana Hospital Association

We are here today to voice our support for HB 458, a bill to repeal the Montana Certificate of Need law. When I appeared before this committee last week to testify against HB 513, I provided a number of statistics which clearly demonstrate that Montana's hospital expenditures are among the lowest in the nation both in terms of their expenditures per capita and their expenditures per admission. I also provided documentation which showed that the rate of increase in Montana's hospital expenditures since the introduction of the Medicare and Medicaid programs in 1967 has been among the lowest in the nation.

When the question was asked by one of your committee members as to whether the Montana CON program has made a positive contribution to our status as a relatively very low cost state, you received conflicting responses. Both the State Department of Health and the Montana Health Systems Agency stated that they believe our state CON law has been a factor in our low hospital costs. Representatives from my own association and the Montana Medical Association stated that they felt just the opposite, that the Montana CON law had actually increased our state's hospital costs.

What I will attempt to illustrate for you is (1) why the State Department of Health's contention that the Montana CON law has helped to restrain costs is incorrect and (2) how we have arrived at the conclusion that the Montana CON law actually adds to health care costs and should therefore be repealed.

Before getting into these arguments, however, I would like to give you a very brief overview of how Montana came to have a Certificate of Need law in the first place.

Certificate of Need legislation, and for that matter the entire federal Health Planning Act, was primarily modeled after the Metcalf-McCloskey Act which was passed by the New York State Legislature in 1964 to address what

that legislative body perceived as problems in its own state and particularly in the New York City metropolitan area. Some of the criteria for review developed under that Act exist word for word in our own Montana CON statute today. Enthralled with what was then commonly known as the "New York Model", in 1972 the U.S. Congress added Section 1122 to the Social Security Act which provided that Medicare and Medicaid would not reimburse for the capital costs of health care facility projects which were not approved through a state based agency similar to the one set up in New York. In 1975, the National Health Planning and Resources Development Act became law, and with it a requirement that all states develop certificate of need law, once again modeled after the New York statute. In 1975 the Montana legislature passed this state's first Certificate of Need law and as Mr. Fenner stated last week, the Montana legislature has had a CON bill before it in each subsequent session. Thus, to sum it all up, we have a Certificate of Need law in Montana, not because of run-away hospital costs, not because of massive duplication, not because we have established a need for it, but because the federal government liked what New York did in 1964 and simplistically believed that what was good for New York must certainly be good for the rest of the country, including Montana.

I would now like to address the record of Certificate of Need in Montana. According to the Montana Health Systems Agency's annual reports for 1977, 1978, 1979 and 1980, 151 Certificate of Need proposals were reviewed in Montana from October 1, 1976 to August 1, 1980. Of those 151 proposals, the records will show that the State Department of Health approved a total of 148. Of the three which were disapproved, one was later approved through a reconsideration hearing and two were later approved by the State Board of Health on appeals. Both of the Board of Health approvals resulted in legal action in District Court where one project was once again approved. The other project was finally abandoned when legal costs and inflation destroyed the project's financial viability. Interestingly enough, although the Montana Health Systems Agency was involved in one court case, both of the legal actions were the result of private nursing homes trying to prevent hospitals from building nursing home beds because of the fear of competition.

We do not have any figures on what those 151 CON proposals cost the health care facilities involved. We do know that the CON process added some \$75,000 to the cost of Billings Deaconess' CT scanner. In a few moments you will learn what was added to the cost of one project which was approved and what it cost another hospital which finally had its project approved in District Court.

Each hospital has a Board of Trustees whose obligation it is to make decisions on the need for capital expenditures and on their financial feasibility. These unpaid volunteers are concerned about health care costs because they know that their decisions will affect the communities within which they live. Montana's record as a low hospital cost state is in large degree a result of the manner in which they have carried out their responsibilities. The record of 151 CON applications and 151 ultimate approvals is also a credit to the manner in which they do their jobs.

The Montana Certificate of Need law is nothing more than another example of the federal government's simplistic global approach to complex and diverse problems. Perhaps New York needs a CON law, and perhaps other urban states do as well. In Montana, we had an excellent record of keeping our hospital cost down prior to the passage of Certificate of Need, and we will certainly keep up that tradition when it is gone. I would merely urge you to expedite that process by voting DO PASS on HB 458.

TESTIMONY OF RON BARNES  
ADMINISTRATOR, TRINITY HOSPITAL, WOLF POINT

I would like to speak briefly in support of H.B. 458 which would repeal the Montana Certificate of Need Law. The facts that will be related are from personal experiences as an administrator who has experienced the Certificate of Need process and as a former member of the Executive Committee of the Montana Health Systems Agency, the organization charged with administering the Certificate of Need process.

The actual application of the Certificate of Need can best be illustrated by the following example. Trinity Hospital's Certificate of Need in 1979 was for a physicians' clinic which was needed to house two new physicians in the community, because there was no other space available in the community; a new hospital laboratory, because our 20 year-old hospital's 221 square ft. lab was unable to accommodate three lab technicians and the equipment required in today's medical laboratories; an ambulance garage, because one of Trinity Hospital's two ambulances has to be parked outside year round because there is no garage facility available; and for an expanded Emergency Room, because our 350 square ft. Emergency Room is inadequate to handle the volume of patients that are seen annually in this department. These problem areas were not controversial; there were no additional, sophisticated, or expensive services being added; nor would there have been a significant financial consequence to our patients. To support these claims, the Department of Health has carried as deficiencies both Trinity Hospital's laboratory and Emergency Room for the past two years. This documentation and obvious need by all concerned, our patients, our medical staff, our Board of Directors and Montana's own Department of Health, however, was of no consequence because the Certificate of Need was still required.

These could be described as normal growth pains that are common to any facility, much less a hospital built in 1961. Even though one may consider these problems common and not out of the ordinary, there was considerable time spent researching the problems, alternatives, solutions, and financial impact by the Board of Directors. This Board, which has some 166 years of experience as the Board of Directors of Trinity Hospital, is extremely concerned and well-versed in their responsibility to provide the highest quality of medical care and appropriate and justified services to our patients, at the most reasonable costs, as are all hospital Boards of Directors across our state. Having considered all of these seemingly obvious reasons which should have substantiated that our need was real, Trinity still, by law, had to

apply for a Certificate of Need. During the fiscal year 1979-80 in which the Certificate of Need application was made, the total expenditure for the Certificate of Need process was Trinity Hospital's second largest single expenditure for that fiscal year, including expenditures made for major equipment. The Certificate of Need expenditure missed being our largest single expenditure by some \$500.00. These expenditures by hospitals for the Certificate of Need process comprise a cost, to you the consumer of health services, which you would find staggering if they could be compiled and also are totally unnecessary.

The Certificate of Need law is not regulating Montana's health care growth nor is it eliminating costly and unnecessary proposals. The fact of the matter is that with or without Certificate of Need, Montana hospitals' Boards of Trustees, planners, and hospital association members and consumers have proven their ability to expand within the limits of their needs and their financial resources.

This conscientious growth of services and facilities has placed Montana 48th in the United States in hospital costs per admission. This growth has been moderated by Montana's health care providers and consumers, not a Certificate of Need law.

Therefore, I would like to request your support of H.B. 458 which would repeal a law that can neither dictate nor replace what Montana hospitals have historically utilized in their planning efforts, and that is good common sense and subsequently eliminating the high costs associated with the Certificate of Need.

Certificate of Need Costs

\$4,378.27	Contracted with Brim
2,450.04	Administrator's time - 204 hours from September '79 to January '80
387.00	Administrator's travel
<u>\$7,215.31</u>	

Trinity Hospital's largest major medical equipment purchase in fiscal year 1979-80 was \$7,726.77 - Fetal Heart Monitor



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Testimony From Columbus Hospital, Great Falls, Montana  
Brad Robinson, Director of Planning and Hospital Systems

On behalf of Columbus Hospital, I wish to state our strong support of HB 458, "An Act to Repeal the Certificate of Need Law in Montana."

Before and since the conception of the National Health Planning and Resource Development Act in 1974, Columbus Hospital has and still continues to have a very detailed, well thought out planning process which fulfills our health care mission of providing "compassionate concern for others through high-quality patient care, health education, research, and sound administrative and financial policies. Since 1974 Columbus Hospital has had to deal with planning regulations as dictated from Washington, D.C. and health planning agencies in the state of Montana who attempt to enforce these regulations.

While the theory and need for health planning is recognized as an essential aspect of good business, the type of planning mandated through CON legislation has proved unworkable. The ultimate responsibility and authority of planning of health care services must rest with those who are truly accountable and not in outside agencies who are not involved in the actual provision of the care nor have any financial responsibility or risk. The Certificate of Need process causes defensive expansion of facilities and services, premature purchasing of equipment, unnecessary and costly time delays, and redundant expenditures of time and dollars for duplicative planning functions, all of which combine to misdirect the valuable and limited health care resources that are available.

Furthermore, a special commitment of Columbus Hospital is to "actively pursue cooperative efforts with appropriate organizations and agencies to ensure that health care services are delivered in a free enterprise system." As has been pointed out by previously discussed proposed legislation (HB 513) that was submitted because of fear of a reduction in funds for grant programs, the continuance of CON legislation in Montana places in jeopardy the entire free enterprise system of the delivery of health care in Montana. Unless Montanans take a stand, one of the nation's most cost effective, cost efficient, high-quality systems of providing health care to its citizens will succumb to government intervention.

Columbus Hospital urges you to support HB 458, "An Act to Repeal the Certificate of Need Law in Montana."

## HEALTH CARE COSTS IN MONTANA

The per capita cost for all health care is 4.0% higher in Montana than the rest of the United States.

Montanans are paying an estimated \$976 per capita for all health care while other health consumers in the U.S. are paying \$938 per capita. Montanans are paying \$38 more per capita than the rest of the Nation. These higher costs for Montana mean an estimated increased cost of 29 million dollars a year.

In addition, Montanans are spending 12.7% of their per capita income for health care while the Nation is spending 10.7% of its per capita income for health care.

Unlike the rest of the Nation, Montanans are going out of State for more serious and complex health services. Thus, if these costs were included, Montana's total cost for health care would even be higher.



HSAs have been supporting actions to increase immunization levels and sponsoring health fairs designed to provide education about and screening for potential health problems. They have also fostered the development of dental disease prevention programs, air pollution awareness programs, and programs promoting health through the reduction of self-imposed risks, for example, obesity, smoking, and others. Some HSAs are working with industry and other major employers to improve occupational safety levels or promote the health of employees.

**Maternal and child health.** Nearly all (96 percent) of the HSPs contain goals and objectives which focus on such priority areas as reducing infant mortality, improving both perinatal and pediatric services, and providing education regarding all aspects of natality.

Many HSAs have undertaken initiatives to attack the high infant mortality rates of their communities. Other HSAs are supporting the development of services for adolescents and other high-risk childbirth populations and the development of services to support and care for pregnant women. While most HSAs have addressed themselves to rationalizing the supply of acute care inpatient services, other agencies have tackled the problem of assuring care for the disabled child.

**Mental health.** Ninety-eight percent of the first year plans of fully designated HSAs address mental health needs. These plan goals and objectives relate to many priorities within the mental health field, including comprehensiveness of care, deinstitutionalization, integration of mental health into the mainstream of health care delivery, and public and professional education.

Some SHPDAs and HSAs are undertaking joint initiatives to shift resources toward community-based care programs while, in other areas, the HSAs are working to assure the availability of acute care psychiatric services in their communities. HSAs are also fostering the development of comprehensive mental health care centers and facilitating the development of service delivery plans that rationalize the provision of mental health care or have the potential of increasing the quality of that care.

## Impact

Information gathered through surveys and analyses of the actions of the health planning agencies suggest that they are establishing themselves as central forces in the health care industry and that their actions are impact-

ing on the cost of health care as well as its availability and accessibility.

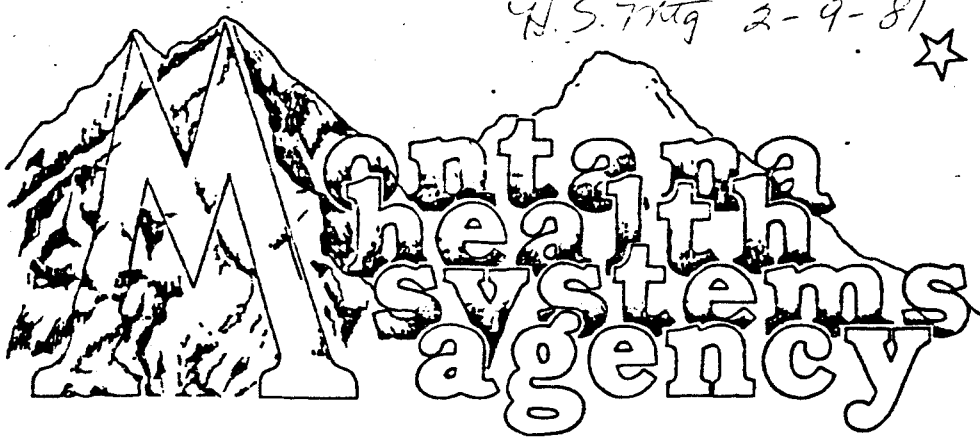
A survey by the American Health Planning Association early in 1979 showed that in the 24-month period ending August 1978 health planning agencies reviewed \$12 billion in capital investment proposals and disapproved or otherwise turned aside \$3.4 billion. The survey covered 81 percent of the health systems agencies and 53 percent of the State health planning and development agencies. In the hospital sector, 16,000 new beds were proposed, of which 7,900 will not be built as a result of the review process. For skilled nursing facilities and intermediate care facilities, 114,000 new beds were proposed and 49,000 of these were not approved.

The per capita amount of proposed capital investment reviewed by the reporting agencies for the 2 years was \$78.50. The amount denied was \$26.45. The total amount invested in health planning per capita for the 2 years was \$1.69. It would appear, therefore, that the nation's investment in health planning is paying off.

Other evidence that the planning agencies are earning their way is contained in an analysis prepared by the Bureau of Health Planning. It projects that the growth of capital construction will amount to approximately \$4.8 billion in 1979 compared to about \$5.5 billion in 1978. We believe the health planning program is at least partly responsible for this projected decline.

Despite this evidence of overall progress in the program, there have been problems. The effectiveness of the health planning agencies varies widely. The majority of them are forceful and courageous agents for change in their communities, but others have been less than effective. In a few cases the Department has had to withhold further funding of the agency because of inadequate performance. In 1979 renewal of designation agreements was withheld from four health systems agencies, causing the Department to seek replacement agencies.

Health systems plans and annual implementation plans of some agencies were seriously inadequate. As a general rule they tended to be too long, and many were cumbersome, hard to read, filled with jargon, and lacking in proper analyses. Health planning is a new concept to many of its participants, and the agencies often lacked the technical knowledge to develop good plans and obtain their acceptance in the community. Assembling staff with the proper training was often difficult. The Bureau is currently providing technical assistance to the agencies in an effort to help them improve their



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IN OPPOSITION

to House Bill 458 (Rep. Vinger)

For the record, my name is Ralph Gildroy, Executive Director of the Montana Health Systems Agency, Inc.

The Montana Health Systems Agency, Inc. (Montana HSA) opposes House Bill 458 (Rep. Vinger), an act to repeal the Montana Certificate of Need requirements for health care facilities. The reason for this opposition is that the Montana HSA Governing Board feels that Certificate of Need is working. The Montana HSA Governing Board, all of its committees and Subarea Advisory Councils are comprised of 51 to 60 percent consumers.

During the hearing last Monday, February 2nd, there were some very interesting comments and questions. In discussions with our Health Systems Agency attorney and the Regional Office of the Department of Health and Human Services, we tried to penetrate some of the gray areas.

Assuming that there is either a passage of House Bill 458 or a failure to pass an acceptable House Bill 513, the consequences are the same. The State is out of compliance according to the Regional Office, Federal funds to Montana will be reduced at the rate of 25 percent per year commencing January 4, 1982 with a possible 90 day notice period to April 4, 1982, which then may be retroactive to January 4, 1982. This will be the first opportunity for the Secretary of HHS to initiate this action required by law.

If there is no acceptable Certificate of Need program, the Secretary of HHS reverts to a conditional designation the existing State Health Planning and Development Agency (SHPDA) for an undesignated period of time. The Governor may elect to designate the conditionally designated SHPDA as a Section 1122 review agency. In this scenario, the Montana HSA continues its present role of planning, reviews and implementation. If the Secretary of HHS determines to terminate the SHPDA, and the Governor still opts for an 1122 agreement, the Governor appoints some State agency other than the SHPDA or he may designate the Montana HSA. Then it starts all over again with three years to comply. In the event the Governor makes no appointment, the Montana HSA continues its role of planning, reviews and implementation, including Proposed Uses of Federal Funds (PUFF), A-95, and its role in the review of health care facility related projects, except that it has no one to whom to recommend. The Agency would simply publish its findings.

Assuming that there is no cutoff of Federal funds, even though the State is out of compliance, the above scenarios are still applicable.

Of course, if Federal funds for planning are rescissioned, then all of our problems are solved and we go back to square one.

Are the planning and review processes working in Montana? The Montana HSA feels that they are working. In the packet that is being passed out, we have listed all of the reviews that the Health Systems Agency has conducted since August 23, 1977 to December 31, 1980, a period of three years and four months. This includes Certificate of Need, Proposed Uses of Federal Funds and A-95. We have been performing PUFF reviews only since November 8, 1979, a period of 15 months.

If you will look at the reviews breakdown you will notice that there is a total of \$73,681,908.00 for three years and five months of Certificate of Need reviews and of that total, \$7,674,616.00 was either recommended for disapproval or withdrawn from the review process, for a percentage of 10.4 percent. The national average is 14.1 percent for Certificates of Need. The total during that period for A-95 reviews was \$32,804,765.00, with recommendations for disapproval totaling \$2,559,258.00, or 07.8 percent. During the 15 month period of PUFF reviews, they totaled \$9,502,355.00 with \$1,178,528.00 disapproved for a percentage of 12.4 percent.

The overall total for all reviews in Montana during the three years and five months of reviews is \$115,989,028.00, with \$11,412,402.00 disapproved or withdrawn, for an overall percentage of 09.8 percent. That is a substantial amount of money. And this does not take into account those applications which were withdrawn during the stage of "letter of intent." Those represent an additional large amount of money. The \$11,412,402.00 of savings represents only the savings of day one. It does not take into account the 5 to 30 years of operation of the equipment, facility or project.

Of course the Montana Health Systems Agency regards cost containment as only one of the factors to be considered. Other factors are quality of care, accessibility, duplication and utilization. An example of the importance of utilization is demonstrated by the tables on CT Scanners costs. Note the difference in cost per patient in the range from 10 to 80 patients per week. The range is from \$89.22 per patient to \$560.42 per patient.

The bottom line is good planning. All of the 104 Subarea Advisory Council members and those Health Systems Agency Governing Board members who are involved in the review process are also involved in the planning process. There are 51 to 60 percent of consumers on all Boards, committees and councils. Those providers in these memberships are also consumers of health care.

Through our planning efforts we arrive at a statewide consensus on what the health systems of Montana should be. It is through this consensus that the standards and criteria are developed. This is the foundation for the entire review process. The Montana Health Systems Plan is our basic resource document. It expresses the needs, the goals, the objectives and recommended actions of the people of Montana.

As the Montana Health Systems Plan becomes more and more refined during its annual revisions, the probability of disapprovals during reviews becomes less and less. Applicants are encouraged to improve the health systems of Montana by following the recommended actions and objectives in the Plan. Savings are realized by avoiding duplications, minimizing under utilization and maximizing the utilization of existing facilities, personnel and equipment.

Ideally, if we can accomplish full cooperation in following the Health Systems Plan, there should be no disapprovals, no withdrawals of applications, and we still shall be accomplishing cost containment and the meeting of the needs of the people of Montana.

I cannot imagine why any good, honest, efficient health care administrator of either a facility or a program should not desire to wholeheartedly engage in such a synergistic effort. With full cooperation of both consumers and providers we can make Montana a better place at a reasonable cost.

The Montana Health Systems Agency asks that you give a "do not pass" recommendation on House Bill 458.

*Ralph Gildroy*

MONTANA HEALTH SYSTEMS AGENCY

Three Years, Four Months of Certificate of Need (C/N) and A-95 Reviews  
One Year, Three Months of Proposed Uses of Federal Funds (PUFF) Reviews

Time Period	Certificate of Need (C/N)	Proposed Uses of Federal Funds (PUFF)	A-95
	\$	\$	\$
8/1/80 - 12/31/80	5,414,582.	1,057,920.	2,999,106.
Withdrawn or Disapprove	592,116.		
	10.9%	0	0
8/23/79 - 7/31/80	39,306,003.	8,444,435.	7,449,178.
Withdrawn or Disapprove	2,672,500.	1,178,528.	2,367,714.
	06.8%	14%	31.8%
8/23/78 - 8/22/79	4,675,427.	None	8,920,424.
Withdrawn or Disapprove	0		191,544.
			02.1%
8/23/77 - 8/22/78	24,285,896.	None	13,436,057.
Withdrawn or Disapprove	4,410,000.		0
	18.2%		
TOTAL	73,681,908.	9,502,355.	32,804,765.
TOTAL WITHDRAWN OR DISAPPROVE	7,674,616.	1,178,528.	2,559,258.
	10.4%	12.4%	07.8%
OVERALL TOTAL	\$ 115,989,028.		
OVERALL WITHDRAWN OR DISAPPROVE	\$ 11,412,402.		
	09.8%		

# CERTIFICATE OF NEED

August 1, 1980 through December 31, 1980

FACILITY/LOCATION/PROJECT TITLE	ACTION	AMOUNT
Columbus Hospital, Great Falls CT Scanner Replacement	No comment	\$ 936,000.
Broadwater Hospital and Clinic, Townsend Change of Ownership	Not reviewable	150,000.
Big Horn Board of County Commissioners, Hardin New 36-Bed Long-Term Care Facility	Approval	3,309,416.
Montana Deaconess Medical Center, Great Falls Develop 18-Bed Alcohol Rehabil- itation Program	Approval	25,000.
Park Place Nursing Home and Rehabilitation Center, Great Falls Develop 18-Bed Comprehensive Alcohol Treatment and Rehabilitation Program	Approval	10,000.
Eastmont Human Services Center, Glendive Reducaion of ICF/MR Beds from 70 to 55	Abbreviated approval	-0-
West-Mont Community Care, Inc., Helena Changes to Certificate of Need for ICF/MR Project	Abbreviated approval	-0-
<b>Yellowstone City-County Health Department, Billings</b> Expand Home Health Agency into Sweet Grass County	Withdrawn	-0-
X Marcus Daly Memorial Hospital, Hamilton Addition of Ultrasound	Abbreviated approval	50,000.
St. Peter's Community Hospital, Helena Addition of 4th Dialysis Station	Not reviewable	6,550.
Silver Bow General Hospital, Butte ICU/CCU Renovation/Relocation	Abbreviated approval	150,000.
Western Care Nursing Home, Helena Licensure change from 96 imt/12 sk to 108 imt	Abbreviated approval	-0-

Certificate of Need (cont.)

West-Mont Community Care, Inc.  
Helena

Expansion of Home Health Services  
to Park County

Abbreviated approval -0-

Yellowstone City-County Health  
Department, Billings

Expand Home Health Agency to  
Sweet Grass County

Abbreviated approval -0-

Missoula Community Hospital,  
Missoula

CT Head Scanner

No comment 185,500.

Stillwater Community Hospital  
Columbus

Construct Physicians' Office  
Building

Withdrawn

592,116.

TOTAL

\$ 5,414,582.

Total approved

3,544,416.

Total disapproved

-0-

Total other

1,870,166.

PROPOSED USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS (PUFF)

August 1, 1980 through December 31, 1980

FACILITY/LOCATION/PROJECT TITLE	ACTION	AMOUNT
Preventive Health Services Bureau, Department of Health & Environmental Sciences (DHES), Helena Community Vaccination Program	Abbreviated approval	82,793.
Hill-Top Recovery, Inc., Havre Continuation of Alcoholism Services to Seven-County Area	Abbreviated approval	252,348.
Preventive Health Services Bureau, DHES, Helena Venereal Disease Project Continuation	Abbreviated approval	86,000.
Hill-Top Recovery, Inc., Havre Community Alcoholism Services Grant	Declined comment due to early submission	94,300.
Sobriety, Inc., Helena Volunteer Resource Development Project	Declined comment due to early submission	50,000.
Big Horn Health Corporation, Hardin Hardin Rural Health Initiative	Approval	81,279.
Planned Parenthood of Billings, Billings Natural Family Planning	Approval	25,300.
Department of Health and Environmental Sciences, Helena Health Incentive Grant	Chose not to review	215,900.
Montana Migrant & Seasonal Farmworker Council, Inc., Billings Migrant Health Project for Yellowstone Valley Continuation	Abbreviated approval	<u>170,000.</u>
	TOTAL	\$ <u>1,057,920.</u>
	Total approved	697,720.
	Total disapproved	-0-
	Total other	360,200.



August 1, 1980 through December 31, 1980

FACILITY/LOCATION/PROJECT TITLE	ACTION	AMOUNT
End Stage Network Coordinating Council #2, Seattle		
Administrative funding for Continuation of ESRD NCC #2	Supported	175,000.
Department of Institutions, Helena		
Staff Development and Training at Center for Aged	No comment	2,605.
Aging Services Bureau, Department of Social & Rehabilitation Services, Helena		
State Plan on Aging under Title III of Older Americans Act	No comment	-0-
Aging Services Bureau, Department of Social & Rehabilitation Services, Helena		
Statewide Training Program for Aging Services Bureau Network	Supported	<u>2,821,501.</u>
	TOTAL	<u>\$ 2,999,106.</u>
	Total approved	-0-
	Total disapproved	-0-
	Total other	2,999,106.

the Montana foundation for Medical Care (Montana Professional Standards Review Organization)  
the Montana Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services (third part payor/medicaid)  
the Montana Hospitals Rate Review System  
the Montana Health Planning and Development Agency  
the Governor's Office of Budget and Program Planning  
the Health Systems Agencies contiguous to Montana  
the End State Renal Disease Network Coordinating Council #2 (Seattle, Washington)

To improve the quality of applications and to insure conformance to the basic resource document, the Montana Health Systems Plan, early site visitations by MHSA staff to facilities and applicant's offices provide an opportunity to fully inform the applicant as to the Plan, the review process, criteria, and what is expected of the applicant during the review period.

The following is this year's review listing by application, with dollar amounts and the actions of the Montana Health Systems Agency.

# CERTIFICATE OF NEED PROJECTS

August 1979 through August 1980

Facility/Project Title	Action Taken	Amount
Friendship Villa, Miles City		\$
Purchase Equipment and Assume Lease of Stillwater Convalescent Center (Columbus)	Abbreviated approval	80,000.
Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital, Glasgow		
Licensure Change at Chemical Dependency Center	Approval	-0-
Western Health Care, Inc., Missoula		
Lease St. Joseph Nursing Home (Polson) (ten-year lease)	Abbreviated approval	1,310,400.
<del>Billings Deaconess Hospital</del>		
<del>Acquisition of Computerized Tomography Unit</del>	<b>Disapproval</b>	<b>827,500.</b>
Montana Deaconess Medical Center, Great Falls		
Open Heart Surgery Program	Approval	2,221,807.
Columbus Hospital, Great Falls		
Auditorium and Dining Room Addition and Alterations	Approval	1,286,000.
Richland Homes, Sidney		
Licensure Change	Approval	-0-
Montana Deaconess Medical Center, Great Falls		
Replace Tomographic X-Ray Unit	Abbreviated approval	155,000.
Columbus Hospital, Great Falls		
Purchase Multi-Directional Tomography Unit	Abbreviated approval	180,000.
Toole County Hospital, Shelby		
Cost Overrun on Certificate of Need for New Facility	Abbreviated approval	700,000.
<del>Timberline Nursing Home, Glacier</del>		
<del>Remodeling and Addition of 52 Intermediate Care Beds</del>	<b>Disapproval</b>	<b>1,050,000.</b>
Trinity Hospital, Wolf Point		
Renovation of Laboratory, X-Ray and Emergency Rooms; Construction of Ambulance Garage and Physicians Office Building	Approval	500,000.
Powder River Nursing Home, Broadus		
Addition of Day Care Services	Abbreviated approval	-0-
Eastmont Training Center, Glendive		
Incorporation of Eastmont Training Center into Certification for Eastmont Human Services Center	Abbreviated approval	-0-
Montana Center for the Aged, Lewistown		
Paving and Drainage Improvement Project	Abbreviated approval	180,000.
Kalispell Regional Hospital		
Cost Overrun on Patient Wing Addition	Abbreviated approval	267,000.
Missoula Community Hospital		
Modify/Expand Neonatal Intensive Care Unit from Six to Ten	Non-reviewable	34,366.
St. Peter's Community Hospital, Helena		
Major Remodeling/Expansion of Physical Plant	Approval	9,995,000.
Clark Fork Valley Hospital, Plains		
Addition of Speech Therapy Services	Abbreviated approval	-0-
Billings Deaconess Hospital		
Cost Overrun on Phase II Project	Abbreviated approval	1,300,000.
Missoula Community Hospital		
Purchase CT Body Scanner Unit	<b>Withdrawn</b>	<b>750,000.</b>
<del>Billings Deaconess Hospital</del>		
<del>Develop for MRI (15 beds of beds)</del>	<b>Disapproval</b>	<b>45,000.</b>
Dawson County Council on Aging, Glendive		
Establish Home Health Agency in Dawson County	Approval	-0-
Roosevelt Memorial Hospital, Culbertson		
Reduction of Eight Beds and Remodeling	Approval	66,000.

St-Mont Community Care, Inc., Helena	Abbreviated approval	-0-
Expansion of Home Health Services to Mountainview Memorial Hospital		
St. Joseph Hospital, Polson	Non-reviewable	-0-
Addition of Hospice Unit to Home Health Care Department		
Central Montana Hospital, Lewistown		
Purchase Philip's Rhoe Ultrasound	Abbreviated approval	74,000.
Missoula Community Hospital		
Remodeling of Administrative Offices and Other Hospital Space	Abbreviated approval	175,000.
St. James Community Hospital, Butte		
Purchase Head/Body CT Scanner	No comment	\$38,500.
St. Vincent Hospital, Billings		
Relocation of CT Scanner from Eastern Radiological Associates		
Offices to St. Vincent Hospital	No comment	1,166,345.
	No recommendation made.	
	Comment forwarded with	
	reasons declining review.	6,000.
St. Vincent Hospital, Billings		
Purchase Hemodialysis Equipment		
St. John's Lutheran Hospital, Libby		
Renovation and Construction	Approval	3,678,125.
St. Peter Bow General Hospital, Butte		
Replace Radiology and Fluoroscopy Equipment and Structural Changes	Abbreviated approval	150,000.
Shodair Children's Hospital, Helena		
Lease Ultrasonic Tomography Scan Unit	Abbreviated approval	52,950.
St. Patrick Hospital, Missoula		
Replace CT Head Scanner with Full Body Scanner	No comment	786,000.
Montana Deaconess Medical Center, Great Falls		
Purchase Head/Body CT Scanner and Remodeling	No comment	998,320.
Community Memorial Hospital, Sidney		
Remodeling and Equipment Purchases	Approval	4,150,613.
Billings Deaconess Hospital		
Radiology Renovation/Expansion	Abbreviated approval	192,557.
Missoula Community Hospital		
Emergency Purchase of Profexray 1000 MA and 300 MA Units	Abbreviated approval	345,845.
Monteale Nursing Home, Great Falls		
Construct New 80-Bed Facility	Approval	5,743,675.
	TOTAL	39,306,003.
	Total Approved	34,588,292.
	Total Other	4,717,711.

#### A-95 PROJECTS

August 1979 through August 1980

Facility/Project Title	Action Taken	Amount
Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Helena		\$
Schools and Hospitals Grant Program-Phase I	Non-reviewable	251,481.
Solid Waste Management Bureau, Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Helena		
Montana's Solid Waste Management, Energy Conservation and Resource Recovery Grant	No comment	176,764.
Montana State Occupational Information Coordinating Committee, Helena		
FY 1980 SOICC Assistance Grant Request and Program Plan	No comment	79,938.
Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Helena		
Health Planning and Resource Development Grant (supplemental)	Supported	17,843.
Water Quality Bureau, Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Helena		
Safe Drinking Water Act Implementation	No comment	294,500.
Preventive Health Services Bureau, Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Helena		
Health Education-Risk Reduction	No comment	70,043.
Preventive Health Services Bureau, Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Helena		
Community Vaccination Program	No comment	82,751.
Preventive Health Services Bureau, Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Helena		
Venereal Disease Control Program	No comment	86,621.
Hilltop Recovery, Inc., Havre		
Community Alcoholism Services (continuation)	Approval comment	38,148.
Yellowstone City-County Health Department, Billings		
Migrant Health Project for Yellowstone Valley (continuation)	Approval comment	140,000.
Missoula General Hospital Nursing Home		
Barter Mortgage Company Loans	Disapproval comment	1,581,800.
Montana Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers Council, Inc., Billings		
Migrant Health Project for Yellowstone Valley	Disapproval comment	112,190.
Dental Bureau, Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Helena		
Montana Fluoridation Project	Approval comment	980,214.
National & Child Health Bureau, Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Helena		
Statewide Family Planning Services	Approval comment	1,129,225.
Indian Health and Education Center, Great Falls		
Education Center Comprehensive Indian Alcoholism Services	Disapproval comment	367,289.

Montana Foundation for Medical Care, Helena	Supported	890,000.
Professional Standards Review Organization		
Handicapped Childrens Service, Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Helena	Approval comment	93,000.
Cleft Palate Project		
Emergency-Medical Services Council, Missoula	Approval comment	94,435.
EMT Initial and Continuing Education and Emergency Room		
ON Continuing Education	Approval comment	94,435.
Carroll College, Helena	Supported	89,150.
Dental Hygiene College Curriculum Program (continued)		
South Central Montana Regional Mental Health Center, Billings	Withdrawn	210,000.
Alcohol Services Department in Area of Domestic Violence	Approval comment	71,350.
Blackfeet Tribal Health Board, Browning	Approval comment	163,460.
Support for EMS Training		
South Central Montana Regional Mental Health Center, Billings	Disapproval comment	96,435.
Develop Womens Treatment Program for Alcoholic Women		
St. Vincent Hospital, Billings	Approval comment	332,541.
EMT Ambulance Training		
Maternal & Child Health Bureau, Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Helena		
Improved Pregnancy Outcome Project (continuation)	Approval comment	332,541.
	TOTAL	7,449,178.
	Total approved	4,039,366.
	Total other	3,409,812.

### PROPOSED USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS (PUFF) PROJECTS

August 1979 through August 1980

Facility/Project Title	Action Taken	Amount
Big Horn Health Corporation, Hardin		\$
Big Horn County RHI — Developmental Phase	Approval	67,500.
North Central Montana Mental Health Center, Great Falls	Approval	589,695.
Continuation Staffing Grant		
Alcohol & Drug Abuse Division, Department of Institutions, Helena	Approval	693,522.
Statewide Service Grant (continuation)		
Eastern Montana Community Mental Health Center, Miles City	Approval	117,474.
Fifth Year Distress Grant (continuation)		
Eastern Montana Community Mental Health Center, Missoula	Approval	128,275.
Year Two Financial Distress Grant		
Emergency Medical Services Bureau, Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Helena		
1) EMS BLS in Region 3A, NE MT	Approval	1,000,523.
2) EMS BLS in Region 1B, SW MT	Approval	726,760.
Southwest Montana Mental Health Center, Helena	Approval	204,371.
Comprehensive Community Mental Health Center	Abbreviated approval	120,000.
Missoula Indian Alcohol and Drug Service Halfway House		
Yellowstone City-County Health Department, Billings	Approval	19,205.
Home Health Agencies Fiscal Management Training		
Montana United Indian Association, Helena	Approval	75,155.
WICONI Family Planning	Approval	50,000.
Montana Council on Alcoholism, Helena		
Volunteer Resource Development Project (continuation)	Approval	237,396.
South Central Montana Regional Mental Health Center, Billings		
Childrens Continuation Staffing		
Preventive Health Services Bureau, Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Helena	Disapproval	42,000.
Hypertension Control (supplemental)		
Human Growth Center, Great Falls	Approval	161,585.
Adolescent Pregonancy Services Coordination Project	Approval	189,452.
Florence Crittenton Home and Services of Montana, Helena		
Comprehensive Services for Pregnant Adolescents and Adolescent Parents	Approval	249,750.
Northern Cheyenne Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, Lame Deer		
WOHEHIV-Alcoholism Treatment Program	Disapproval	102,627.
Teton Medical Center, Choteau	Approval	93,998.
Primary Care Research and Demonstration Project, etc.		
Network for Adolescent Pregnancy Services, Missoula	Withdrawn	761,828.
Adolescent Pregnancy Program		
Colorado Department of Health, Denver	Approval	199,453.
Five State Genetic Disease Testing, Counseling and Education (continuation)		
Family Training Center, Inc., Glasgow	Approval	195,937.
al Health Education and Maintenance Program		
adair Children's Hospital, Helena		
Genetics Disease Counseling and Education	Approval	249,610.
southeastern Montana RHI, Miles City		
Three-year Grant to Fund RHI Services in Rosebud, Treasure, Powder River and Garfield Counties		

Department of Social & Rehabilitation Services, Helena  
 Comprehensive Screening and Evaluation-A Demonstration Project  
 (Continuation)  
 Dental Bureau, Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Helena  
 Statewide Dental Research and Demonstration  
 Health Development Associates, Inc., Missoula  
 HMO Feasibility Study  
 Yellowstone City-County Health Department, Billings  
 Big Sky Hospice Demonstration Program  
 Professional Association Management-Montana Funeral Directors'  
 Association, Helena  
 Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Program  
 Five Valleys Health Care, Inc., Missoula  
 Primary Care Research and Demonstration  
 Rocky Mountain Planned Parenthood, Denver  
 Region VIII General Training for Family Planning  
 Maternal & Child Health Bureau, Department of Health &  
 Environmental Sciences, Helena  
 Montana Statewide Family Planning Services (supplemental)  
 Regional Chemical Dependency Programs, Inc., Missoula  
 Occupational Alcoholism Program  
 Preventive Health Services Bureau, Department of Health &  
 Environmental Sciences, Helena  
 Hypertension Control Program  
 Alcohol & Drug Abuse Division, Department of Institutions, Helena  
 State Drug Abuse Prevention  
 Missoula City-County Health Department  
 Missoula County Risk Reduction Program  
 Missoula City-County Health Department  
 Missoula Adolescent Alcohol Abuse and Smoking Prevention Project  
 Poplar Public Schools  
 Health Education — Risk Reduction of Alcohol and Cigarettes  
 Ninth Judicial District Youth Court, Shelby  
 Preventive Health Services—Priority Tobacco and Alcohol Abuse, etc.

Approval	250,000.
Approval	148,141.
Disapproval	74,885.
Approval	119,011.
Approval	48,980.
Approval	298,403.
Not reviewable this year	315,400.
Approval	28,428.
Approval	45,884.
Approval	199,448.
Approval	84,991.
Disapproval	58,997.
Disapproval	138,191.
Approval	200,000.
Approval	157,560.

TOTAL	8,444,435.
Total Approved	6,950,507.
Total Other	1,493,928.

# A-95 PROJECTS

## August 1978 through August 1979

Facility and Project Title	Action Taken	Amount	Facility and Project Title	Action Taken	Amount
Western Montana Regional Community Mental Health Center, Missoula			Five Valleys District Council, Missoula		
Conversion Grant	Approval Comment	\$242,000.	RHI for Missoula, Mineral and Ravalli Counties	Approval Comment	167,000.
Washington State			Missoula General Hospital, Missoula		
Diagnostic, Counseling and Referral Services for Genetic Disease	No Comment	- 0 -	Women's Alcohol Treatment and Rehabilitation Services	Approval Comment	250,068.
Montana Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Solid Waste Management Bureau, Helena			Montana Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Maternal and Child Health Bureau, Helena		
Montana Solid Waste Management, Energy Conservation and Resource Recovery Grant	No Comment	142,100.	Improved Pregnancy Outcome Project	Approval Comment	400,000
*Northern Cheyenne Board of Health, Lame Deer			Southcentral Montana Regional Community Mental Health Center, Billings		
Home Health Agency Services	Approval Comment	190,235.	Federal Distress Grant	Approval Comment	140,000.
Yellowstone City-County Health Department, Billings			Southcentral Montana Regional Community Mental Health Center, Billings		
Migrant Health Services Continuation Grant	Approval Comment	100,000	Children's Continuation Staffing	Approval Comment	217,795.
Big Horn County Health Corporation, Hardin			Southwest Montana Mental Health Center, Helena		
RHI Planning Grant	Approval Comment	25,000.	Southwest Montana Mental Health Center		
Montana District Six Council RHI, Roundup			Community Mental Health Center	Approval Comment	204,371.
Second Year Continuation Application	Approval Comment	129,137.	Teton County Medical Center, Choteau		
Montana Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Family Planning Services, Helena			HURA Continuation Application	Approval Comment	91,000.
Statewide Family Planning Services	Approval Comment	1,800,650.	Montana United Indian Association, Helena		
Eastern Montana Community Mental Health Center, Miles City			Research and Demonstration Grant for WICONI Family Planning	Non-reviewable	91,713.
Fourth Year Renewal Distress Grant	Approval Comment	157,474.	Southcentral Montana Regional Community Mental Health Center, Billings		
Western Montana Regional Community Mental Health Center, Missoula			Volunteer Case Management Model in a Community Mental Health Center	No Comment	46,424.
Financial Distress Grant	Approval Comment	160,423.	Montana Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services, Helena		
Southwest Montana Mental Health Center, Helena			Comprehensive Screening and Evaluation for Children - A Demonstration Project	Approval Comment	200,000.
Continuation Staffing	Approval Comment	127,055.	Family Training Center, Inc., Glasgow		
Southcentral Montana Regional Community Mental Health Center, Billings			Air Force Base		
Alcohol Services for Women and Poverty Populations	Approval Comment	153,770.	Dental Component of Rural Health Education and Maintenance	Approval Comment	200,000.
Economic Development Association of Eastern Montana			Colorado Department of Health, Denver		
People United for Rural Health RHI	Disapproval Comment	191,544.	Five-State Genetic Disease Testing, Counseling and Education Program	Approval Comment	772,102.
Southcentral Montana Regional Community Mental Health Center, Billings			Southeastern Montana RHI, Colstrip		
Services to the Older Adult	Approval Comment	127,455.	Continuation Grant 1980-1983	Approval Comment	228,153.
Northcentral Montana Community Mental Health Center, Great Falls			Montana Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Preventive Health Services Bureau, Helena		
Staffing and Construction	Approval Comment	589,635.	Statewide Influenza Immunization Program	Approval Comment	29,075.
*St. Patrick Hospital, Missoula			Montana Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Preventive Health Services Bureau, Helena		
Solar Energy System for Hot Water Demonstration Project	Approval Comment	220,000.	Hypertension Control Program	Approval Comment	45,500.
Missoula Vocational-Technical Center, Missoula			*Northern Cheyenne Board of Health, Lame Deer		
District II EMT-A Training	Approval Comment	15,467.	Home Health Services Project	Approval Comment	118,570.
Montana Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Emergency Medical Services Bureau, Helena			Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Helena		
Basic Life Support Systems Development for EMS Region 2A, North Central Montana	Approval Comment	221,593.	School and Hospitals Grant Program, Phase I	Non-reviewable	251,481.
Montana Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Emergency Medical Services Bureau				TOTAL	\$8,920,424.
Basic Life Support Systems Development for EMS Region 1B, Southwestern Montana	Approval Comment	766,345.			
Montana United Indian Association, Helena					
WICONI Family Planning Project	Approval Comment	106,919.			

Total Approval Comment 8,197,162.  
 Total Non-reviewable/No Comment 531,718.  
 Total Disapproval 191,544.  
 \$8,920,424.

\*Both A-95 and Certificate of Need

August 1978 through August 1979

Facility and Project Title	Action Taken	Amount	Facility and Project Title	Action Taken	Amount
Cooney Convalescent Home, Helena License Change from 36 sk/24 int to 60 sk/30 int	Abbreviated Approval	- 0 -	Immanuel Lutheran Home, Kalispell License Change from 139 to 140 skilled	Abbreviated Approval	- 0 -
St. Vincent Hospital, Billings New Portable Mobile Image Intensifier	Abbreviated Approval	60,000.	Central Montana Hospital, Lewistown License Change from 31 sk/39 int to 70 sk	Abbreviated Approval	- 0 -
Replace Gamma Camera	Abbreviated Approval	150,000.	Kalispell Regional Hospital, Kalispell Construction/Building Modification for Loading Dock and Service Area Approach	Abbreviated Approval	123,097.
Replace Tomographic Radiologic Unit	Abbreviated Approval	125,000.	Kalispell Regional Hospital, Kalispell Replace Radiographic/Fluoroscopic X-ray	Abbreviated Approval	144,000.
Columbus Hospital, Great Falls Parking Lot Enlargement	Abbreviated Approval	91,739.	Missoula Crippled Children and Adult's Rehabilitation Center, Missoula License Home Health Aide Services	Abbreviated Approval	- 0 -
Valley Vista Manor, Lewistown License Change from 70 sk/27 int to 8 sk/68 int	Abbreviated Approval	- 0 -	Mountainview Memorial Hospital, White Sulphur Springs Add Physical Therapy Services	Abbreviated Approval	1,300.
Holy Rosary Hospital, Miles City Certificate of Need Extension	Abbreviated Approval	200,000.	St. James Community Hospital, Butte Expand Cardiac Rehabilitation Program	Non-reviewable	5,000.
General County Hospital, Superior Replace X-ray Equipment	Abbreviated Approval	156,476.	St. Joseph Nursing Home and Retirement Center, Polson License Change from 70 sk/42 int to 40 sk/72 int	Abbreviated Approval	- 0 -
Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital, Glasgow Physicians Clinic	Approval	800,000.	Malta Nursing Home, Malta License Change from 32 int to 32 personal care	Abbreviated Approval	- 0 -
Northern Cheyenne Board of Health, Lame Deer Home Health Agency Services	Approval	190,265.	Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital, Glasgow Purchase Mobile Realtime Ultrasound Unit	Abbreviated Approval	30,000.
St. James Community Hospital, Butte Purchase Updated Ultrasound Equipment	Abbreviated Approval	68,000.	Parkview Acres Convalescent Center, Dillon License Change from 29 sk/79 int to 4 sk/104 int	Abbreviated Approval	- 0 -
Pondera Pioneer Nursing Home, Conrad Licensure Change from 41 sk/22 int to 3 sk/20 int	Abbreviated Approval	- 0 -	Bozeman Convalescent Center, Bozeman License Change from 28 sk/77 int to 0 sk/103 int	Abbreviated Approval	- 0 -
Billings Deaconess Hospital, Billings Replace Maxicamera II	Abbreviated Approval	140,160.	Livingston Convalescent Center, Livingston License Change from 30 sk/95 int to 9 sk/116 int	Abbreviated Approval	- 0 -
"Phase A-B Mode Diagnostic Ultrasound System	Abbreviated Approval	70,400.	Stillwater Convalescent Center, Columbus Change of Ownership	Abbreviated Approval	78,000.
Northern Montana Hospital, Havre Replace X-ray Equipment	Abbreviated Approval	104,000.	Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital, Glasgow Operate WIC Program	Non-reviewable	11,700.
Columbus Hospital, Great Falls ESRD Expansion with Home Training	Approval	84,100.	Northern Cheyenne Board of Health, Lame Deer Home Health Services	Abbreviated Approval	118,570.
Cascade County Convalescent Center, Great Falls Remodel, Renovate and Licensure Change	Abbreviated Approval	57,000.	St. Patrick Hospital, Missoula Replace Computerized Scintillation Camera	Abbreviated Approval	154,310.
Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital, Glasgow License Change from 30 chemical to 30 medical	Abbreviated Approval	- 0 -	Barrett Memorial Hospital, Dillon Audiometer Screening Test Service	Non-reviewable	- 0 -
McCone County Hospital Association, Circle Merge Hospital with Nursing Home	Abbreviated Approval	- 0 -	Kalispell Regional Hospital, Kalispell Expansion/New Patient Wing	Approval	1,100,000.
St. Patrick Hospital, Missoula Purchase Three-Phase Generator	Abbreviated Approval	53,000.	TOTAL		\$4,757,127.
Purchase Radiographic Table/Tube	Abbreviated Approval	80,000.			
St. Joseph Hospital, Polson Add Social Services to Home Health Agency	Abbreviated Approval	- 0 -	Total Approved		\$4,675,427.
Missoula Community Hospital, Missoula Replace Dynacamera 415	Non-reviewable	65,000.	Total Non-reviewable		81,700.
Powell County Memorial Hospital, Deer Lodge Remodel Lab Area to Comply with Standards	Abbreviated Approval	55,000.			\$4,757,127.
Toole County Hospital, Shelby Replace X-ray Equipment	Abbreviated Approval	135,000.			
St. Patrick Hospital, Missoula Solar Energy System for Hot Water Distribution Project	Abbreviated Approval	220,000.			
Barrett Memorial Hospital, Dillon Replace X-ray Generator and Image Intensifier	Abbreviated Approval	65,000.			
			*Both Certificate of Need and A-95		

# MONTANA HEALTH SYSTEMS AGENCY

## RANGE OF CT SCANNER COSTS

	Patients/Week					
	80	60	50	40	20	
<u>Direct Costs (Fixed)</u>						
Equipment <sup>1)</sup>	77,400	77,400	77,400	77,400	77,400	77,400
Maintenance Contract	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
Space Remodeling <sup>1)</sup>	3,860	3,860	3,860	3,860	3,860	3,860
Space Upkeep <sup>2)</sup>	6,229	6,229	6,229	6,229	6,229	6,229
Personnel <sup>3)</sup>	49,200	49,200	49,200	49,200	49,200	49,200
New Developments (Equipment)	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
Subtotal	186,689	186,689	186,689	186,689	186,689	186,689
<u>Direct Costs (Variable)</u>						
Contrast (\$4.60/patient) <sup>4)</sup>	19,136	14,352	11,960	9,568	4,784	2,392
Supplies (\$10.00/patient)	41,600	31,200	26,000	20,800	10,400	5,200
Subtotal	60,736	45,552	37,960	30,359	15,184	7,592
Subtotal Direct	247,425	232,241	224,649	217,048	201,873	194,281
Indirect Costs (50% of Direct)	123,713	116,121	112,325	108,524	100,937	97,141
TOTAL COSTS	371,138	348,362	336,974	325,572	302,810	291,422
Total Patients Per Year	4,160	3,120	2,600	2,080	1,040	520
Cost/Patient	\$ 89.22	\$111.65	\$129.61	\$156.25	\$291.16	\$560.42

1) Five year straight line depreciation on a scanner originally costing \$387,000.

2) Assumed 557 square feet at \$11.60 per square foot.

3) Assumed 0.96 FT Radiologist, 2.3 X-ray technologists, 1.1 aides and 1.2 "other" personnel.

4) Contrast material cost an average of \$7.70 per patient and is used on 60 percent of the patients.

TABLE 1 - Theoretical Cost/Patient  
Estimates for CT Scanners  
Being Used At Different Levels  
(Based on 1976 Survey Data)

Source: Evens, R. G. and R. G. Jost, "Economic Analysis of Computed Tomography Units," American Journal of Roentgenology, Vol. 127, 1976, pp 191-198.



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February 9, 1981

## TESTIMONY ON HB 458

The Montana United Indian Association is a consortium of eight Urban Indian Alliances serving the needs of the off-reservation Indian in the State of Montana. Currently, there are alliances located in eight Urban Areas providing services to the Indian populations in Billings, Butte, Helena, Great Falls, Missoula, Miles City, Havre and Anaconda. As a consortium, the alliances provide Education, training, research, family planning, direct health care, advocacy, and assistance in Indian Child Welfare cases.

As an agency responsible for providing services to the more than 20,000 off-reservation Indians in the State of Montana, the Montana United Indian Association strongly opposes the passage of HB 458 for the following reasons:

1. By not approving HB 513 we are jeopardizing more than 15 million dollars in federal funds over a 4 year period. Numerous agencies providing health care services outside the realm of hospital and physician care will pose a chance of losing their basic support funds.
2. The Associations supporting HB 458 are placing their support for this bill on the idea that the Certificate of Need compliance requirement will be thrown out in the Reagan administration. To risk this compliance ruling and consequently the millions of dollars in federal funds is not feasible. If you vote to pass HB 513 and the Reagan administration "throws out" the Certificate of Need ruling, then we will not have to comply with any federal regulations. Until such time as this happens, it is a gamble to not be in compliance.

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ANA CONDA, MONTANA  
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3. When the current trend of the new Administration is cutting budgets, any State being out of compliance with Federal regulations would make an easy avenue for the Reagan Administration to withhold funds as part of their budget cutting process. Though at present a handful of States are planning not to be in compliance, it must be remembered that their legislative sessions may last longer than ours. If the State of Montana is not in compliance in April when the legislative session ends, we will not be able to pass a bill for compliance until January, 1983. Meanwhile, if the Federal Government sends out further warnings of compliance regulations after April, many Legislatures will still be in session and be able to amend their laws to be in compliance.

In the Montana Hospital Association's testimony presented in opposition to HB 513, several points regarding their Statistics need to be clarified:

1. The statistics used regarding "per capita" do not show what base population figures are used. Secondly, the statistics are stated as hospital expenditures but no figures were available as to what percentage of these costs were paid by medicaid, medicare, or other federal fundings. In addition, if the full state population was used for a per capita basis, were the Indian Health Service dollars funneled into the State to serve the more than 50,000 Native Americans considered in the per capita funding?
2. Though based on the statistics presented it does appear that Montana ranks low in hospital costs compared to other States. If carefully looked at, the hospital expenditures per capita compare closely with the overall cost of living price index ratings of the States.
3. If we look at the fact that the lowest percentage increase in aggregate hospital costs over a 12 year period is 298.9%, or nearly 25% increase per year, it is obvious to see that the inflationary costs of hospital expenditures far exceed the usual 8-15% inflation we have overall the U.S. Montana's average inflation increase per year is 25.9% according to Table I, not 12.7% as stated in the testimony.

If the State of Montana supports and passes HB458 we will be jeopardizing funds necessary to provide not only hospital and physician services to the many who cannot afford the current health care costs, but also funds used in the many ancillary services will be jeopardized. When considering the federal dollars funneled into the State to provide medical research, alcoholism services, services to the handicapped, maternal and child health care and health education scholarships, to gamble on behalf of two special interest groups is a high risk the State cannot

afford to take.

In the austere economy with which we are now faced, Montana cannot afford to gamble on the chance of losing federal funds. If one year from now we were to lose 3.5 million dollars in federal funds, how would this deficit be replaced? There are only two answers: either the many necessary health care services are sharply cut or the State taxes take on the additional burden of the funding. With either answer, many Montanans will suffer an additional monetary burden which can be avoided through compliance with P.L. 96-79 and approval of HB513.

Therefore, in order to assure the necessary federal fundings continue to flow into the State and to assure a Certificate of Need compliance to alleviate unnecessary expansion of health care facilities, the Montana United Indian Association strongly urges a no pass vote for HB458 and full support of HB 513.

2-9-81 (EXXIV)

NAME Barbara Crebo Bill No. HB 513  
HB 458  
ADDRESS 1019 Hollins Date 2-9-81  
WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT Myself  
SUPPORT HB 513 OPPOSE HB 458 AMEND

PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH SECRETARY.

Comments: See Attachment.

Mr. Chairman and members of the Public Health Committee, for the record, I am Barbara Crebo testifying as a concerned citizen and as a proponent for House Bill 513. I also feel qualified to testify as a knowledgeable consumer regarding this Bill since I assisted in drafting the present MCA 50-5-101 through 308, and also the Administrative Rules to implement this Law. It was also my privilege to write the first draft of the amendments which this Committee is now deliberating upon. I would like to make it clear that I am no longer an employee of the Department of Health and Environmental Sciences nor am I actively engaged in any facet of the health care field. My testimony is based solely upon concern as a citizen who, at times, requires the services of our health care system. I am, as well as each of you, one of those "affected persons" defined in HB 513.

The Certificate of Need (CN) as outlined in HB 513, provides to me and all Montana residents the opportunity to have a say in the number, type and level of health care services I want available to me and at a cost I can afford.

This piece of legislation does not just address hospitals. The definition of a health care facility found in Section 1(12) includes nursing homes, home health agencies, mental health centers, rehabilitation facilities, and other identified health care facilities.

Why is the concept of health care facility planning and reviewing as contained in HB 513 necessary to each of us? Competition, in the true sense, is not evident in a health care system. This is especially true in a geographically large, but small populated state such as Montana. Many of our communities only have one doctor, one nursing home, one hospital. But even in our more urban areas such as Helena, I am not inclined to shop around, comparing charges and quality of service. Why? First, I need the service immediately, second, I am not able to expend the time or energy required, and third, I carry health

insurance which will pay for the majority of the charges and so I obtain my health care services by emotion and need and not good economic principles and hence I need an advocate. And that is what HB 513 really is--for all Montanans.

First, it sets up a system that requires a health care facility to do some planning--planning on paper--the same technique any business would utilize when planning a change in operation--before it can initiate any of the activities covered in Section 8 of HB 513. The amendments in Section 8 enumerate specifically those activities which require a health care facility to submit an application to the State Agency for review. Many of the changes in this Section are to clarify our present Law so there can be no misunderstandings as to who must submit an application. Some requirements have been strengthened to close loop holes in the present Law and some such, as addition of a health service or change in bed capacity, have been changed to provide more flexibility to the facility.

The major change in this Section is the part of HB 513 which has the physician community upset and is the reason why they are opposing this Bill--for the first time, physicians' offices would be included if they intend to purchase medical equipment which would cost in excess of \$150,000 and if they intend to use this equipment on inpatients of a health care facility. They would then be covered by the Certificate of Need review process. If the equipment is to be used solely on outpatients who visit their office they are not covered. This part of the Law, which includes physicians' offices, is their main concern with this Bill and this is the reason.

Section 9 provides that the facility's proposal will be reviewed by two agencies that can evaluate the impact of the proposal not only locally, but regionally and statewide. This means that expensive technological services and equipment will be located in the most appropriate places in the State

where they can be utilized to the greatest extent, will be accessible to as many Montana citizens as possible and, hence, at the lowest fee rate possible. It assures me that facilities and services will be staffed with the skilled personnel necessary to provide the level and quality of care I can afford. It assures me that the staff of two separate agencies have had the opportunity to review and to determine the cost effectiveness and feasibility of the proposal.

Section 9 of HB 513 also gives to the residents of Montana the right to participate in a public hearing process to offer their comments on the proposal if they so desire. Because of this public hearing process, the applicant is forced into using good planning techniques since any affected person may testify at the public hearing--this definition includes any personnel of other health care facilities.

This Section even tries to integrate into the health care system some competition factors by allowing competing applications pertaining to similar types of services, facilities and equipment affecting the same health service area to be considered in relation to each other.

Section 10 of HB 513 has been changed to accommodate statutory and the Federal regulatory process which changes frequently and as a result puts State Law out of compliance. Thus, it requires the agency administering the Law to appear before the Legislature each session to deal with housekeeping chores which are time consuming, expensive and unnecessary.

Section 11 is a rewrite for clarification of our present Law and adds the requirement of a reporting system so that activities can be monitored. This requirement has previously been addressed within the present Administrative Rules.

Section 12, once again, provides the opportunity for any affected person, including the applicant who may not agree with the final decision of the State Agency, the right to request either a hearing before the State Agency, the Board of Health or the district court, to reconsider the decision rendered by the State Agency.

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House Bill 458 (Vinger, Stobie, Sales) To repeal the Montana certificate of need requirements for health care facilities Human Services Hearing # 2/9/81  
12:00 noon room 103 or larger

I am David Lackman , Lobbyist for the Montana Public Health Association , and I am testifying in opposition to HB 458.

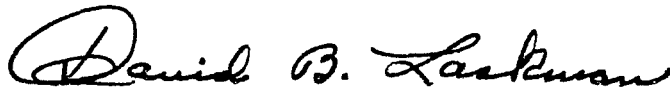
When I retired from the U.S. Public Health Service in '67 and came to Helena, one of my duties was to inspect laboratories for the hospital and medical facilities division. I relied on experience during WW II in army hospital laboratories and, previous to that , the laboratories of the University of Pennsylvania hospitals. With few exceptions, what I found in Montana wasn't good. Since then there has been a truly amazing change for the better. Much of this , I feel , has been due to efforts to comply with medicare standards; and to the infusion of government money into the health-care system ; for direct care, quality control , and training. Certificate of need legislation came later ; but is part of the same deal. While there haven't been many denials of equipment and facilities , it has caused hospitals to examine their needs rather closely and to request only that which has a chance of approval.

This past week an appropriation subcommittee has been holding budget hearings for the Department of Health and Environmental Sciences. They have clearly stated that loss of federal money cannot be made up by an appropriation from the state general fund. Senator Pat Regan put it straight : " When the Feds cut , We cut ! " The federal funds mentioned in connection with Certificate of Need legislation involve some programs crucial to the health of Montanans.

I am a relic of the days when there wasn't health planning. The wheel which squeaked the loudest got the grease. Now we are paying for it ; and hopefully trying to do something to get things on an even keel. Some have proposed National Health Insurance as a solution. However , that is far distant ; we must straighten out the economy first. During the interim I feel that meaningful health planning can help rescue us from errors of the past. ( Health Planning is one of the areas most severely affected by failure to enact HB 513.)

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We recommend a "Do Not Pass" for House Bill 458.



David B. Lackman , Ph.D. Chairman , Legislative  
Committee & Lobbyist , Montana Public Health Association  
February 6, 1981



# Montana Nurses' Association

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## TESTIMONY ON HB 458:

The Montana Nurses' Association is opposed to House Bill 458. We support the concept of planned health care and believe that this planning should include grassroots input. The prior certificate of need program was under federal control and did not require any input from the citizens of Montana.

In many areas of our vast state, citizens have only one hospital available to them. Therefore, we feel that these people should have the right to help determine what types of health care are available to them. They are the ones that will have to pay the bill.

The Montana Nurses' Association strongly urges that you recommend a "do not pass" for House Bill 458.

NAME RALPH GILDRoy BILL No. 458 (Vinger)  
ADDRESS 324 FUHRER DATE 2/9/81  
WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT MT HEALTH SYSTEMS AGENCY  
SUPPORT \_\_\_\_\_ OPPOSE ☒ AMEND \_\_\_\_\_

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Comments:

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NAME William Leary BILL No. 458  
ADDRESS P.O. Box 5119 Helena DATE 2/9/81  
WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT Montana Hosp Assoc  
SUPPORT ✓ OPPOSE \_\_\_\_\_ AMEND \_\_\_\_\_

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Comments:

NAME Ken Rutledge BILL No. 458 (HR)  
ADDRESS P.O. Box 5119, Helena DATE 2/9/81  
WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT Montana Hospital Association  
SUPPORT ✓ OPPOSE \_\_\_\_\_ AMEND \_\_\_\_\_

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Comments:

NAME Sam Rabin BILL No. HB 458  
ADDRESS P.O. Box 3413 East Falls, MT DATE Feb 9, 1981  
WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT Columbia Hospital  
SUPPORT X OPPOSE \_\_\_\_\_ AMEND \_\_\_\_\_

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Comments:

NAME M. J. Emulsion BILL No. <sup>HB</sup> 458  
ADDRESS 876 FRONT STREET DATE 2-9-81  
WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT Montana United Indian Association  
SUPPORT \_\_\_\_\_ OPPOSE X AMEND \_\_\_\_\_

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Comments:

NAME William Leary BILL No. 513  
ADDRESS PO Box 5119 Holden DATE 2/4/81  
WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT Mountain Hospital Assoc  
SUPPORT \_\_\_\_\_ OPPOSE ☒ AMEND \_\_\_\_\_

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Comments:



Mr. Chairman and members of the Public Health Committee, for the record, I am Barbara Crebo testifying as a concerned citizen and as a proponent for House Bill 513. I also feel qualified to testify as a knowledgeable consumer regarding this Bill since I assisted in drafting the present MCA 50-5-101 through 308, and also the Administrative Rules to implement this Law. It was also my privilege to write the first draft of the amendments which this Committee is now deliberating upon. I would like to make it clear that I am no longer an employee of the Department of Health and Environmental Sciences nor am I actively engaged in any facet of the health care field. My testimony is based solely upon concern as a citizen who, at times, requires the services of our health care system. I am, as well as each of you, one of those "affected persons" defined in HB 513.

The Certificate of Need (CN) as outlined in HB 513, provides to me and all Montana residents the opportunity to have a say in the number, type and level of health care services I want available to me and at a cost I can afford.

This piece of legislation does not just address hospitals. The definition of a health care facility found in Section 1(12) includes nursing homes, home health agencies, mental health centers, rehabilitation facilities, and other identified health care facilities.

Why is the concept of health care facility planning and reviewing as contained in HB 513 necessary to each of us? Competition, in the true sense, is not evident in a health care system. This is especially true in a geographically large, but small populated state such as Montana. Many of our communities only have one doctor, one nursing home, one hospital. But even in our more urban areas such as Helena, I am not inclined to shop around, comparing charges and quality of service. Why? First, I need the service immediately, second, I am not able to expend the time or energy required, and third, I carry health

insurance which will pay for the majority of the charges and so I obtain my health care services by emotion and need and not good economic principles and hence I need an advocate. And that is what HB 513 really is--for all Montanans.

First, it sets up a system that requires a health care facility to do some planning--planning on paper--the same technique any business would utilize when planning a change in operation--before it can initiate any of the activities covered in Section 8 of HB 513. The amendments in Section 8 enumerate specifically those activities which require a health care facility to submit an application to the State Agency for review. Many of the changes in this Section are to clarify our present Law so there can be no misunderstandings as to who must submit an application. Some requirements have been strengthened to close loop holes in the present Law and some such, as addition of a health service or change in bed capacity, have been changed to provide more flexibility to the facility.

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Section 9 provides that the facility's proposal will be reviewed by two agencies that can evaluate the impact of the proposal not only locally, but regionally and statewide. This means that expensive technological services and equipment will be located in the most appropriate places in the State

where they can be utilized to the greatest extent, will be accessible to as many Montana citizens as possible and, hence, at the lowest fee rate possible. It assures me that facilities and services will be staffed with the skilled personnel necessary to provide the level and quality of care I can afford. It assures me that the staff of two separate agencies have had the opportunity to review and to determine the cost effectiveness and feasibility of the proposal.

Section 9 of HB 513 also gives to the residents of Montana the right to participate in a public hearing process to offer their comments on the proposal if they so desire. Because of this public hearing process, the applicant is forced into using good planning techniques since any affected person may testify at the public hearing--this definition includes any personnel of other health care facilities.

This Section even tries to integrate into the health care system some competition factors by allowing competing applications pertaining to similar types of services, facilities and equipment affecting the same health service area to be considered in relation to each other.

Section 10 of HB 513 has been changed to accommodate statutory and the Federal regulatory process which changes frequently and as a result puts State Law out of compliance. Thus, it requires the agency administering the Law to appear before the Legislature each session to deal with housekeeping chores which are time consuming, expensive and unnecessary.

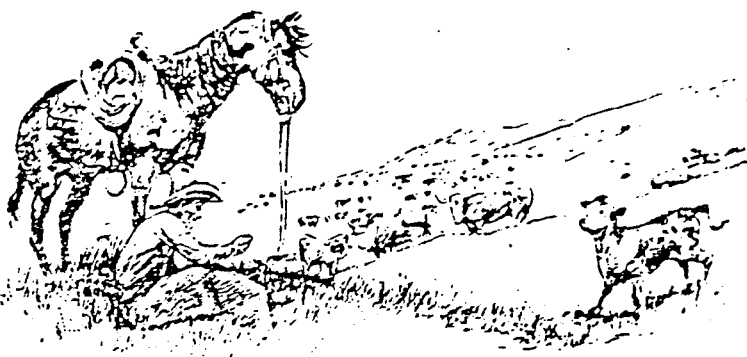
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PLAN IMPLEMENTATION/REVIEW

During it's second year of conditional designation the Montana Health Systems Agency (MHSA) reviewed the following applications and forwarded recommendations either to the Montana Department of Health and Environmental Sciences, or, in the case of A-95 projects, directly to the Regional Office.

Section 1122 - Social Security Act,  
Montana Certificate of Need Law

FACILITY LOCATION	PROJECT TITLE	COST
+ Galen State Hospital	License Change	-0-
+ Community Hospital of Anaconda	Purchase Anaconda Nursing Home	816,000.
+ Missoula Community Hospital	Replace 300 MA X-ray with 1000 MA X-ray	238,000.
+ Livingston Memorial Hospital	Install 5 Inch Graphic Rectilinear Scanner	-0-
+ St. James Community Hospital, Butte	Cost Overrun	700,000.
* Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital, Glasgow	30 Bed Alcohol Treatment Unit	350,000.
Holy Rosary Hospital, Miles City	15 Bed Alcohol Treatment Unit	200,000.
Missoula Community Hospital	20 Unit Physicians' Office Building	1,600,000.
Hillbrook Nursing Home, Clancy	Build Physical Therapy Swim Pool	56,000.
Missoula General Hospital	12 Bed Alcohol Treatment Unit	51,757.
* Missoula General Hospital	Build 80 Bed Long-term Care Facility	1,410,000.
+ Pondera County Hospital, Conrad	Purchase X-ray unit and Lab Equipment	472,548.
Yellowstone City-County Health Department, Billings	Migrant Health Proposal	100,000.
+ Holy Rosary Hospital, Miles City	Relicensure of 4 Short Term Care Beds	500. to 1,000.
+ Parkview Acres Convalescent Center, Dillon	Purchase Lease	-0-
+ Toole County Hospital, Shelby	License Change	-0-
+ Holy Rosary Hospital, Miles City	Establish Speech & Occupational Therapy Services	-0-
+ Powell County Memorial Hospital, Deer Lodge	Replace 300 MA X-ray with 500 MA X-ray	96,602.
Billings Deaconess Hospital	Phase II Construction Project	14,000,000.
Lake County Home Health Agency, Polson	Addition of Physical Therapy Services	-0-
+ Columbus Hospital, Gl. Fls.	Simulator In Radiation Oncology Department	158,000.
+ Northern Montana Hospital, Havre	Laboratory Equipment	140,765.

Roundup Memorial Hospital	Re-open Hospital	76,742.
* Community Hospital of Anaconda	Construct New 40 Bed Facility	3,000,000.
+ Yellowstone City-County Health Department, Billings	Expand Nurse; O/T; P/T and Nutrition Services	43,557.
+ Helena Nursing Home	Lease	109,380.
+ West-Mont Home Health Care, Helena	Expand O/T; P/T and Nurse Services	35,105.
+ Daniels Memorial Hospital & Nursing Home, Scobey	License Bed Change	-0-
+ Prairie Community Hospital, Terry	Relicensure	-0-
+ Yellowstone City-County Health Department, Billings	Add Social Services to Home Health Agency	4,000.
+ Glendeen Nursing Home, Billings	Transfer Ownership	300,000.
Missoula Crippled Children & Adults Rehabilitation Center	License to Provide Home Health Care	-0-
+ North Valley Hospital, Whitefish	Replace X-ray Equipment	89,854.
= Rural Health Initiative, Glendive	Establish Badlands Home Health Agency	50,776.
= Five Valleys District Council, Missoula	Mineral County Home Health Agency	26,420.
+ Community Hospital of Poplar	License Change	-0-
+ Hillside Manor, Missoula	Remodel Kitchen Area	100,000.
+ Boulder River School and Hospital, Boulder	Relicensure	-0-
+ Blackfeet Nursing Home, Browning	Licensure Change	-0-
+ Pioneer Nursing Home, Big Timber	Licensure Change	-0-
+ Bozeman Convalescent Center	Licensure Change	-0-
+ Livingston Convalescent Center	Licensure Change	-0-
+ Kalispell Regional Hospital	Maxi Camera I System	59,000.
+ Teton Nursing Home, Choteau	Add Physical Therapist	640.
TOTAL		\$24,285,896.
Non-substantive Total		\$3,364,201.
Disapproved Total		77,196.
Both C/N and A-95 Total		16,434,499.
Others Total		-----
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# A-95 Proposals

FACILITY LOCATION	PROJECT TITLE	COST	FACILITY LOCATION	PROJECT TITLE	COST
Central Montana District Six Council, Roundup	RHI for Wheatland, Musselshell & Golden Valley Counties	123,713.	= Rural Health Initiative, Glendive	Establish Badlands Home Health Agency	50,776.
+ Holy Rosary Hospital, Miles City	Add Speech and Occupa- tional Therapy Services-	-0-	Rural Health Initiative, Miles City	Adolescent Health Services	56,035.
+ North Central Montana Community Mental Health Center, Great Falls	Continuation Grant for North Central Montana Community Mental Health Center	631,815.	+ Teton Medical Center, Choteau	RHI/HURA Continuation funding for Teton Medical Center	134,890.
+ Western Montana Regional Community Mental Health Center, Missoula	Continuation Grant for Western Montana Regional Community Mental Health Center	211,314.	= Five Valleys District Council, Missoula	Mineral County Home Health Agency	26,420
+ Bureau of Maternal & Child Health, Department of Health Environmental Sciences, Helena	Cleft Palate Project	101,125.	#Family Planning Program Dept. of Health & En- vironmental Sciences, Helena	Statewide Family Planning Services	83,490.
+ Five Valleys Council, Missoula	RHI Planning and Develop- ment Grant	25,000.	#Department of Health & En- vironmental Sciences, Helena	Special Supplemental Food Program for WIC	3,468,000.
+ Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Helena	State Health Planning & Resource Development Grant	440,614.	#Department of Social & Rehabilitation Services, Glasgow	Northeastern Montana Child Protection Service Im- provement Project	96,074.
+ Lake County Home Health Agency, Polson	Staff Education	16,549.	#Missoula City-County Health Department	Community Self-Care Education Demonstration Program	600,000.
+ South Central Montana Regional Mental Health Center, Billings	Children's Continuation Staffing Grant	1,604,472.	Southeastern Montana Rural Health Initiative, Colstrip	Continuation Grant Southeastern Montana RHI	666,478.
+ South Central Montana Regional Mental Health Center, Billings	Original Continuation Staff- ing Grant	1,604,472.	Rural Health Initiative, Glendive	Continuation Grant Glen- dive RHI	464,430.
+ Southwestern Montana Mental Health Center, Helena	Comprehensive Community Mental Health Center	1,156,000.	+ Preventive Health Services Bureau, Dept. of Health & Environmental Sciences, Helena	Community Vaccination Program	146,976.
+ West-Mont Home Health Care, Inc., Helena	Expand O/T, P/T & Nursing Services	35,105.	+ Preventive Health Services Bureau, Dept. of Health & Environmental Sciences, Helena	Venereal Disease Control Program	88,058.
+ Yellowstone City-County Health Department, Billings	Expand Health Services Professional Team	43,557.	#Water Quality Bureau, Dept. of Health & Environmental Sciences, Helena	Safe Drinking Water Act	264,000.
+ South Central Montana Regional Mental Health Center, Billings	Conversion Grant	144,164.	#Air Quality Bureau, Dept. of Health & Environmental Sciences, Helena	Eastern Montana Air Monitoring Project	55,000.
+ Montana United Indian Association, Helena	WICONI Family Planning Project Advanced Life Support in EMS Region 1A	102,158. 401,000.		TOTAL	\$13,436,057.
+ Emergency Medical Services Bureau, Department of Health & Environmental Sciences, Helena	Basic Life Support in EMS Region 1B Planning Advanced Life Support in EMS Region 3B	308,091. 86,280.	Non-substantive total Both C/N and A-95 total No interest/no comment total Others Total		6,451,164. 112,301. 4,566,564. 2,306,028.
+ Clinical Services Bureau, Department of Social & Rehabilitation Services, Helena	Comprehensive Screening & Evaluation for Children in Eastern Montana	200,000	+ Non-substantive = Both Certificate of Need and A-95 # No interest/no comment		\$13,436,057.