

HOUSE HUMAN SERVICES SUB COMMITTEE

Date January 11, 1983

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE  
ON HUMAN SERVICES  
January 11, 1983

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The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Pete Story at 8:10 a.m. All subcommittee members were present except for Chairman Shontz who was present later during the meeting.

Also present were: Norman Rostocki and Larry Finch from the Fiscal Analyst's office and David Hunter, Commissioner for Labor and Industry and Francis Bardanouve, Chairman of the Appropriations Committees.

The first order of business was the reading of a letter from Rep. Gerry Devlin supporting the continuation of the Job Service offices in Eastern Montana. Included also were petitions from many different individuals from the eastern portion of Montana supporting the continuation of the Job Service offices.

Larry Finch explained the LFA analysis sheets which cover the unemployment insurance division in the Department of Labor and Industry. The LFA has adopted the agencies budget request for 1984 and 1985 which represents about a 6% annual increase over the adjusted 1982 base. The single funding source is the Federal Employment Security Administration funding. The main issue before the committee regards the unemployment insurance trust fund balance which the department has projected to be about a \$22 million dollar deficit by the end of 1985 biennium by the current statutes. In order to alleviate the problems the department has proposed to raise the taxable wage base by which contributions are levied and to reduce unemployment insurance benefits over the biennium. Currently the statutes provide that the taxable wage base in a fiscal year be 75% of the average annual wage. However this has not been allowed to rise since 1979 by more than \$200 annually. They propose to set the annual taxable wage base at 75% of the average wage and this will in effect raise the taxable wage base in 1983 from its current level of \$8,200 to \$10,200. The second proposal which they have suggested is that current unemployment benefits of 26 weeks at 50% of the average wage base be reduced to 26 weeks at 45% of the average wage base. See exhibit 1

Page 3 of exhibit 1 shows the funding options the LFA has based on different percentages of wage base used for the committee use and what would happen to the trust fund if these various methods were used.

Sen. Aklestad inquired as to what unemployment rate we were looking at for 1985 and was told by David Hunter that the figures used are based on the Chase Econometrics System for 1984 and 1985.

He explained another source of funding is the Penalty and Interest Past Due contributions from employers and Senate Bill 69 which is being proposed which would raise those penalties and interest contributions.

It was noted that there is a problem with the law at the present time as to where the penalty and interest money can go. They can go either into the benefit trust fund or to the administration trust fund at the present time. Hunter explained the money is now being transferred into the trust fund but it has been used occasionally for the administration purposes such as land purchases but not for ongoing costs of the department. At the current time it is possible to take funds out of the penalty and interest fund and use it to buy equipment, etc. and then pay it back to the fund.

Rep. Asay asked if the ambiguity of this penalty assessments of one bill goes into the trust fund and the bill which allows for the penalty monies to go for administrative purposes. Sen. Regan pointed out that an appropriations bill cannot be used to amend the law.

Rep. Bardanoue recommended a bill be drafted by the full appropriations committee addressing this situation. Sen. Regan MOVED that this committee recommend a bill be drafted and that we give it to the full appropriations committee of the house to start it on its way. Rep. Bardanoue suggested that his name be put on the bill. They would like the moneys to go to the trust fund and leave it there.

Rep. Bardanoue wanted to know where the fund was headed by the end of 1985 and what projections are for the minus figure by the time it works its way back to the break even point. Hunter hadn't made any projections past 1985. Rep. Bardanoue asked if we are in debt for two full fiscal years then the Federal Government would automatically add a .3% of 1% on all payrolls penalty and on until this penalty could conceivably become quite large and also heavy interest rates would result.

#### UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DIVISION

David Hunter, Commissioner of Labor added that Senate Bill 69 which increases penalty and interest is a bill that is being carried at the recommendation of the Governor's Council on Management. It is not aimed at increasing the penalty and interest income but aimed at decreasing the tax delinquencies of the department. We have currently in excess of \$2 million dollars of unemployment insurance taxes which are delinquent by employers.

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Commissioner Hunter discussed the central office operation of unemployment insurance division. This division is the people who make decisions about whether or not you are eligible for benefits under the law, who collect taxes from employers to fund benefits, who do unemployment insurance, appeals processes and take care of fraud investigations and do the field operation of taking claims which is all handled through the central office operation. It is federally funded (FUTA tax) and they don't anticipate any cuts in funding from this source at this time. Because of the present economy they do not

anticipate much change in the office's operations due to less people being eligible for unemployment because of not being able to work. This office is budgeted by the federal government and is based on workload. The staff is very concerned about how their funding will be in the future. Chart 3 of exhibit 2

Chart 2 showed the proposed schedule of contributions rates based on the ratio of funds to total wages. We have been in 1982 on schedule 8 (average tax rate of 2.7%) and in 1983 they are going to schedule 10 because of the lack of money in the trust fund (average tax rate of 3.1%). This will vary from year to year because of the economy. The rate classes are an experience rating system whereby they keep track of how much tax each employer pays the department versus how many dollars of benefit were claimed against the employer and this determines the rate of the individual employer.

Hunter wanted to make the committee aware that there are three separate unemployment programs; 1) the 26 week regular unemployment program which is totally state funded, 2) extended benefits program which provides up to 13 weeks of extended benefits once you have drawn your total duration from the 26 week unemployment. This is funded half from the trust fund and half out of federal general fund revenues and 3) the federal supplementation program which provides for up to 14 weeks of additional benefits which is totally federally funded. This is used after the first two benefits have been used.

On the U.I. trust fund balance Hunter projects they will have to borrow money in February or March of this year; that they will be approximately \$7 million in debt in the spring of this year before revenues are in; and that they will be able to repay that debt to the Federal Government by late summer or fall but in January of 1984 they will go into debt again and will then be seriously enough in debt that they will not be able to get out of debt for the rest of the biennium. The choice this legislature has to make is do they want to increase taxes on employers, do they want to reduce benefits for claimants or some of both or do they want to borrow up to \$22 million over the biennium from the Federal Government to continue to pay benefits.

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Hunter told the committee that his department has a statutory responsibility to inform the legislature of the impending deficit, and to propose a solution to that deficit. The bill discussed would raise the taxable wage rate and reduce benefits.

Chart 4 showed the average weekly U.I. benefit taxable wage base and the average wage rates from 1977 through 1985.

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Harold Kansier, the Administrator of the Unemployment Insurance Program informed the committee they were under state regulations as to how the calculations for the above chart are figured. They

have proposed a bill which would reduce the maximum benefit amounts from 60% to 57 1/2% to 55% in two steps and to reduce the individual benefit amount from 50 to 45% in two steps and remove the \$200 limitation on the taxable wage base. This would keep the trust fund solvent over the coming biennium.

Sen. Aklestad wanted to know the current balance now and was told it is now \$8 million at the present time. Menahan inquired as to how much the proposal would save by reducing benefits and Hunter told him it was \$10 million. He thinks this proposal would keep the trust fund solvent.

Sen. Aklestad wanted to know how much each schedule brought in on additional benefits by jumping schedules. He was told that each schedule increase raises .1 of 1% or \$4 million.

Sen. Regan wanted to know if by reducing the benefits to make up the \$10 million for the biennium and the .2 jump in the employers tax how much this would make up. Norman Rostocki explained his understanding is that the .2 would make up \$4 million a year or \$8 million in two years. Sen. Regan wanted a better estimation from the LFA as to what exactly would be raised.

Larry Finch referred the committee to a handout given earlier which laid out the revenue raised under the various options available.

Sen. Aklestad wanted to know when all these bills would be presented and David Hunter did not know although they have been filed and have not come out of council yet.

Chairman Shontz felt we needed to recommend to the appropriations and finance committees where we feel the best dollar figures are going to be and tie this to the statutes or proposals.

Aklestad wanted to be clear on whether or not it was two years before we go on interest if they would have to borrow money. Hunter said if this legislature were to take no action and the projections were correct the taxes on employers at the federal level will increase in 1986 and every year thereafter until it is paid off but not at the state level.

Rep. Winslow wanted to know if it would be possible to put together a summary spread sheet of the bills that are out and the fiscal impact of the bills.

Rep. Menahan wanted to know if they were changing the reduction of benefits and Hunter explained the proposal would change the maximum benefit amount from 60% of the average weekly wage to 57.5% next year and 55% the following year. In addition it would change the individuals benefit amount from 50% of his wages in the base period to 47.5 and then to 45% in following year.

Hunter said there was no question that reducing benefits is a very bad thing to do for the economy because this is a multiplier effect but raising taxes on an employer is not a particularly good thing to do either and this proposal does some of both to try and keep the trust fund solvent.

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#### CENTRALIZED SERVICES BUDGET

Norman reiterated that originally the LFA did the analysis as one program and the Department has broken it down into Job Service, Unemployment Benefits and Centralized Services.

Commissioner Hunter explained the organizational chart for the Centralized Services Division. They combined centralized services in July 1982 and have reduced the centralized services FTE by 20.5. The executive budget shows a reduction in central services from 119 FTE in 1983 to 113 in 1984 and 105.5 in 1985.

Norman Rostocki explained the commissioner's office and the central services are funded from an assessment on all the other programs. When the decision is made for funding this division it will affect the funding for central services and will affect the funding for the commissioner's office.

Sen. Aklestad wanted to make sure that the committee is certain that the money will go into keeping job service offices open and to make sure it is actually used for that purpose.

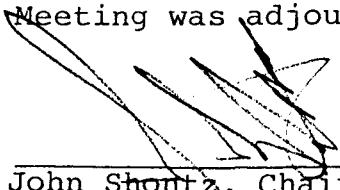
Chairman Shontz felt we needed to correct a misconception of this whole discussion that we would have an increase in x number of dollars to cover this cost and that the unemployment tax would go up directly but that this was not going to be the case. There is not a direct cash correlation. The net effect assuming that the economy does not turn around would be that there will be an increase but there isn't a direct cash relationship between keeping the job placement service functioning and an automatic increase in the cost to employers.


Jim Murry, Executive Secretary of the AFL-CIO gave a brief testimony opposing any cutting of benefits for unemployed workers as is being proposed by several of the bills under discussion today. He stated that there was no doubt that the state of the economy today is behind the rapidly declining unemployment insurance trust fund balance.

Written testimonies were handed in by George Allen, Montana Retailers Association and from Celinda Lake representing the Women's Lobbyist Fund. See exhibit 6 and 7.

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Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

  
John Shontz, Chairman

  
Carol Duval, Secretary

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PROGRAM Uninsured Employment Division

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EXPEND.	1984 BUDGET			1985 BUDGET			
1982 <del>Actual</del> Adjustment	Exec. Budget	Fiscal Analyst	Exec.-LFA Variance	Exec. Budget	Fiscal Analyst	Exec.-LFA Variance	
FTE	90.90	90.90	—	90.90	90.90	—	
Personal Serv.	1,656,621	1,816,451	—	1,812,602	1,812,602	—	
Operating Serv.							
21 Contr. Serv.	249,454	281,802	282,224	1,524	292,219	297,102	1,112
22 Supplies	29,615	33,276	33,276	—	35,272	35,272	—
23 Communication	54,582	53,591	53,591	—	62,139	62,139	—
24 Travel	12,864	13,841	13,841	—	14,376	14,376	—
25 Rent	15,600	17,522	17,522	—	18,580	18,580	—
26 Utilities	18,221	25,052	25,052	—	30,674	30,674	—
27 Repairs	27,952	32,562	31,407	1,161	34,125	33,292	833
28 Other	5,522	6,207	6,207	—	6,579	6,579	—
Subtotal	414,410	463,871	461,186	2,685	499,959	498,014	1,945
Non-Operating							
1. <u>EQUIPMENT</u>	0	5,728	5,728	—	32,100	32,100	—
2.							
3.							
4.							
5.							
6.							
Total Expenditures	2,071,031	2,286,050	2,282,365	2,685	2,344,667	2,342,722	1,945
Funding							
General Fund							
Other Funds							
1. <u>03122*</u>	2,071,031	2,286,050	2,282,365	2,685	2,344,667	2,342,722	1,945
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\* Separate funding source is the federal employment security administration funding

BENEFIT PAYMENTS & CONTRIBUTION RECEIPTS  
Projections For State Fiscal Years 1983-1985  
(Millions)

September 30, 1982

State Fiscal Year	Present Law Benefits	45% Law Benefits	Present Law Contr.	75%Base Eff. 83 Contr.	75%Base Eff. 84 Contr.
2/83	13.325	12.045	9.490	9.490	9.490
3/83	22.720	20.590	7.080	7.080	7.080
4/83	15.650	14.190	20.350	23.350	20.350
1/84	13.000	11.650	15.690	17.900	15.690
2/84	13.600	12.200	11.165	12.665	11.165
3/84	23.700	21.400	8.400	9.585	8.400
4/84	16.400	14.800	21.260	25.400	25.400
1/85	13.660	12.270	16.360	19.400	19.400
2/85	14.350	12.900	11.620	13.690	13.690
3/85	24.900	22.460	8.760	10.360	10.360
4/85	17.200	15.530	22.100	27.500	27.500
11 Qtrs. Totals	188.505	170.035	152.275	176.420	168.525

Benefit payment projections include 50% of expected E.B. payments.

Contribution receipts include State and Local Government at the present law but exclude interest earned on the Trust Fund Balance.

All projections exclude Reimbursable activity. Collections are expected to equal Benefits.



## UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE TRUST FUND - FUNDING OPTIONS

	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Present Base	Base: 75% (P4)	Base: 75% (P3)	Base: 75% (P4)	Base: 75% (P3)	Base: 75% (P4)
	Present Benefits	Benefits: 50%	Benefits: 50%	Benefits: 45%	Benefits: 45%	Benefits: 45% (P4)
Quarter						
1/83	14937000	14937000	14937000	14937000	14937000	14937000
2/83	11102000	11138000	11102000	12382000	12382000	11102000
3/83	<4538000>	<4502000>	<4538000>	<1128000>	<1128000>	<4538000>
4/83	162000	198000	3162000	5032000	8032000	162000
1/84	2852000	2888000	8062000	9072000	14282000	4202000
2/84	417000	953000	7127000	8037000	14747000	3167000
3/84	<14883000>	<14847000>	<6988000>	<4963000>	2932000	<9833000>
4/84	<10023000>	<5847000>	2012000	5637000	13532000	767000
1/85	<7323000>	<107000>	7752000	12767000	20662000	7897000
2/85	<10053000>	<767000>	7092000	13557000	21452000	8687000
3/85	<26193000>	<15307000>	<7448000>	1957000	9352000	<3413000>
4/85	<21293000>	<5007000>	2852000	13427000	21322000	8557000

not already so charged, except that no amount used for administration during any such 12-month period may be charged against any amount credited during such a 12-month period earlier than the fourth preceding such period. Money requisitioned for the payment of expenses of administration pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the unemployment insurance administration fund but, until expended, shall remain a part of the unemployment insurance fund.

(3) The department shall maintain a separate record of the deposit, obligation, expenditure, and return of funds so deposited. If any money so deposited is for any reason not to be expended for the purpose for which it was appropriated or, if it remains unexpended at the end of the period specified by the law appropriating such money, it shall be withdrawn and returned to the secretary of the treasury of the United States for credit to this state's account in the unemployment trust fund.

History: En. Subd. (c), Sec. 9, Ch. 137, L. 1937; amd. Sec. 6, Ch. 171, L. 1957; amd. Sec. 7, Ch. 368, L. 1975; R.C.M. 1947, 87-113(b); amd. Sec. 2, Ch. 57, L. 1979; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 349, L. 1981.

Compiler's Comments

1981 Amendment: Substituted "department" for "division" in (3).

39-51-405. Signatures required on warrants. All warrants issued by the treasurer for payment pursuant to 39-51-403 or 39-51-404 shall bear the signature of the treasurer and the countersignature of a member of the department or its duly authorized agent for that purpose.

History: En. Subd. (c), Sec. 9, Ch. 137, L. 1937; amd. Sec. 6, Ch. 171, L. 1957; amd. Sec. 7, Ch. 368, L. 1975; R.C.M. 1947, 87-113(c); amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 349, L. 1981.

Compiler's Comments

1981 Amendment: Substituted "department" for "division".

39-51-406. Unemployment insurance administration account. (1) There is hereby created an account in the federal and private revenue fund to be known as the unemployment insurance administration account. All moneys which are deposited, appropriated, or paid into this account are hereby appropriated and made available to the department. All moneys in the account shall be expended solely for the purpose of defraying the costs of administration of this chapter and costs of administration of such other legislation as shall be specifically delegated to the department for administration by the legislature.

(2) All moneys received and deposited in said account for administration expense from the United States or any agency thereof pursuant to section 302, Title III of the Social Security Act shall be expended solely for the purpose and in the amounts found necessary by the secretary of labor for the proper and efficient administration of this chapter.

(3) The account shall consist of:

(a) all moneys received from the United States or any agency thereof pursuant to section 302, Title III of the Social Security Act, as amended;

(b) all moneys appropriated by the state from the general fund for the purpose of administering this chapter;

(c) all interest and penalties collected on past due contributions as provided by 39-51-1301; and

(d) all moneys, trust funds, supplies, facilities, or services furnished, deposited, paid, and received from:

(i) the United States or any agency thereof;

(ii) this state or any agency thereof;

(iii) any other state or any of its agencies;

(iv) political subdivisions of the state; or

(v) any other source for administrative expense and purpose.

(4) Notwithstanding any provisions of this section, all money requisitioned and deposited in this account pursuant to 39-51-403 through 39-51-405 shall remain part of the unemployment insurance account and shall be used only in accordance with the conditions specified in 39-51-403 through 39-51-405.

(5) All moneys in this account shall be deposited, administered, and disbursed in the same manner and under the same conditions and requirements as is provided by law for other accounts. Any balance in this account shall not lapse at any time, but shall be continuously available to the department for the expenditure consistent with this chapter.

(6) The state treasurer shall give a separate and additional bond conditioned upon the faithful performance of his duties in connection with the unemployment insurance administration account in an amount to be fixed by the department and in a form prescribed by law or approved by the attorney general. The premiums for such bond and the premiums for the bond given by the treasurer for the unemployment insurance account under 39-51-402 shall be paid from the money in the unemployment insurance administration account.

(7) Any reference to the unemployment insurance administration fund in this code shall be taken to mean the unemployment insurance administration account in the federal and private revenue fund.

History: En. Subd. (a), Sec. 13, Ch. 137, L. 1937; amd. Sec. 7, Ch. 164, L. 1941; amd. Sec. 4, Ch. 190, L. 1945; amd. Sec. 4, Ch. 164, L. 1955; amd. Sec. 9, Ch. 171, L. 1957; amd. Sec. 208, Ch. 147, L. 1963; amd. Sec. 22, Ch. 368, L. 1975; R.C.M. 1947, 87-133; amd. Sec. 2, Ch. 57, L. 1979; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 349, L. 1981.

#### Compiler's Comments

1981 Amendment: Substituted "department" for "division" in (1), (5), and (6).

39-51-407. Reimbursement of fund by state. (1) This state recognizes its obligation to replace, and hereby pledges the faith of this state that funds will be provided in the future and applied to the replacement of any of the money received after July 1, 1941, from the United States or any agency thereof under Title III of the Social Security Act, any unencumbered balances in the unemployment insurance

39-51-1301. Penalty and interest on past-due contributions. (1) Contributions unpaid on the date on which they are due and payable, as provided by subsections (1) and (2) of 39-51-1103 and 39-51-1125, shall be subject to a penalty assessment of \$10 or 10% of the contribution due, whichever is greater, and shall bear interest at the rate of 1% per month.

(2) Interest and penalties collected pursuant to this section shall be paid into the unemployment insurance trust fund.

(3) When failure to pay contributions on time was not caused by willful intent of the employer, the department may abate the penalty and interest.

History: En. Subd. (a), Sec. 14, Ch. 137, L. 1937; amd. Sec. 5, Ch. 137, L. 1939; amd. Sec. 8, Ch. 164, L. 1941; amd. Sec. 3, Ch. 233, L. 1943; amd. Sec. 5, Ch. 190, L. 1945; amd. Sec. 24, Ch. 368, L. 1975; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 197, L. 1977; R.C.M. 1947, 87-135; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 47, L. 1979; amd. Sec. 2, Ch. 57, L. 1979; amd. Sec. 19, Ch. 685, L. 1979; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 2, L. 1981; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 349, L. 1981.

#### Compiler's Comments

1981 Amendments: Chapter 2 deleted the first sentence in (1) which assessed a \$10 penalty for late filing of unemployment contribution reports; made other changes in phraseology in (3).

Chapter 349 substituted "department" for "division" in (3).

39-51-1302. Summary or jeopardy assessment of unpaid contributions. (1) If any employer fails to file a report or return as required under this chapter or the regulations of the department adopted thereunder within the time specified, the department may make a summary or jeopardy assessment of the amount due by making up such report and determining the amount of contributions due and owing to the fund upon the basis of such information as the department may be able to obtain, and thereupon the same shall be collected the same as other reports and contributions due, with penalty and interest as provided in this chapter.

(2) Upon making such summary or jeopardy assessment, the department shall immediately notify the employer in writing by personal service or by certified or registered mail in the usual course at the last known principal place of business operated by the employer. Such assessment shall be final unless the employer shall protest such assessment in writing within 15 days after service of the notice or, within the same period of time, the employer shall file a correct, signed, and sworn report and statement as provided by the chapter and the regulations of the department.

(3) Upon written protest being filed as above set forth, a day certain for the hearing thereof shall be fixed by the department and notice thereof mailed to the employer. At such hearing, the facts ascertained by the department shall be conclusive and the department may upon the basis of such facts ascertained assess the amount due, modify, set aside, or revise the prior assessment and require the employer to pay the amount due with penalty and interest as

## YEARLY WORKLOAD - EXCLUDES EXTRA PROGRAMS (EB, TRA, FSC)

	<u>FY 80</u>	<u>FY 81</u>	<u>FY 82</u>	<u>FY 83*</u>	<u>FY 84*</u>	<u>FY 85*</u>
Initial Claim	80,900	79,304	88,295	95,000	90,000	85,000
Weeks Claimed	566,489	622,346	677,450	730,000	695,000	660,000
Non-Monetary Determinations	21,507	24,350	23,914	24,000	24,000	24,000
Lower Appeals	1596	1735	1365	1350	1350	1350
Higher Appeals	136	375	283	250	250	250

\*Projected









WEEKLY CLAIMS TRANSACTIONS AND GROSS DISBURSEMENTS - U.I.  
 REPORT PERIOD 12/27/82 - 1/1/83

TOTAL CLAIMS		CHANGE FROM		LAST	CUMULATIVE
THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	LAST NUMBER	WEEK PERCENT	YEAR	THIS YEAR
INITIAL UI	2093	218	+11.62	2264	88527
INITIAL UCFE	57	-2	-3.38	52	2526
INITIAL UCX	18	-6	-25.00	14	586
CONTINUED UI	14227	+421	+3.04	13236	680368
CONTINUED UCFE	463	-23	-4.73	465	17261
CONTINUED UCX	94	-7	-6.93	70	1978
TOTALS	16952	+601	+3.67	16101	791246

## GROSS DISBURSEMENT OF UNEMPLOYMENT MONIES BY PROGRAM - IBM DATA PAYMENTS

UI NUMBER	UI AMOUNT	UCFE NUMBER	UCFE AMOUNT	UCX NUMBER	UCX AMOUNT	NUMBER TOTALS	AMOUNT TOTALS
11412	\$1236059.15	441	\$ +56391.63	10238	\$1124592.11	568316	\$64497016.28
450	399	+51	+12.78	431	16772		
69809.12	\$64926.63	\$ +4882.43	17.51	\$61651.83	\$2567784.14		
91	108	-17	-15.74	62	2002		
13532.36	\$16311.14	\$ -2778.78	-17.03	\$8272.08	\$303095.59		
11953	11478	+475	+4.13	10731	587090		
\$1375792.26	\$1317296.98	\$ +58495.28	+4.44	\$1194516.02	\$67367896.01		

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MONTANA U.I. MANAGEMENT REPORT

RUN DATE 01/04/83

# WEEKLY CLAIMS TRANSACTIONS AND GROSS DISBURSEMENTS - E.B. REPORT PERIOD 12/27/82 - 1/1/83

	TOTAL CLAIMS		CHANGE FROM		LAST	CUMULATIVE
	THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	LAST NUMBER	WEEK PERCENT	YEAR	THIS YEAR
INITIAL UI	6	11	-5	-45.45	5	12795
INITIAL UCFE	0	0	+0	+0.00	0	96
INITIAL UCX	0	0	+0	+0.00	0	10
CONTINUED UI	47	48	-1	-2.08	23	70771
CONTINUED UCFE	0	0	+0	+0.00	1	1577
CONTINUED UCX	0	0	+0	+0.00	0	294
TOTALS	53	59	-6	-10.16	29	85543

## GROSS DISBURSEMENT OF UNEMPLOYMENT MONIES BY PROGRAM -- IBM DATA PAYMENTS

UI NUMBER	5	9	-4	-44.44	0	68495
UI AMOUNT	\$458.00	\$1146.00	\$ -688.00	-60.03	\$0.00	\$7265623.88
UCFE NUMBER	0	0	+0	+0.00	0	1882
UCFE AMOUNT	\$0.00	\$0.00	+0.00	+0.00	\$0.00	\$309190.84
UCX NUMBER	0	0	+0	+0.00	0	376
UCX AMOUNT	\$0.00	\$0.00	+0.00	+0.00	\$0.00	\$54342.49
NUMBER TOTALS	5	9	-4	-44.44	0	70753
AMOUNT TOTALS	\$458.00	\$1146.00	\$ -688.00	-60.03	\$0.00	\$7629157.21

# PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTION RATES

	Sched. I	Sched. II	Sched. III	Sched. IV	Sched. V	Sched. VI	Sched. VII	Sched. VIII	Sched. IX	Sched. X
Minimum Ratio of Fund to Total Wages	(.0150)	(.0145)	(.0140)	(.0130)	(.0120)	(.0110)	(.0095)	(.0075)	(.005)	(.....)
Average Tax Rate	1.3	1.5	1.7	1.9	2.1	2.3	2.5	2.7	2.9	3.1

## CONTRIBUTION RATES FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYERS

Rate Class	CONTRIBUTION RATES FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYERS									
	0.2%	0.3%	0.5%	0.7%	0.9%	1.1%	1.3%	1.5%	1.7%	1.9%
1	0.2%	0.3%	0.5%	0.7%	0.9%	1.1%	1.3%	1.5%	1.7%	1.9%
2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.8	2.0	2.2
3	0.7	0.9	1.1	1.3	1.5	1.7	1.9	2.1	2.3	2.5
4	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.8	2.0	2.2	2.4	2.6	2.8
5	1.3	1.5	1.7	1.9	2.1	2.3	2.5	2.7	2.9	3.1
6	1.6	1.8	2.0	2.2	2.4	2.6	2.8	3.0	3.2	3.4
7	1.9	2.1	2.3	2.5	2.7	2.9	3.1	3.3	3.5	3.7

## CONTRIBUTION RATES FOR UNRATED EMPLOYERS:

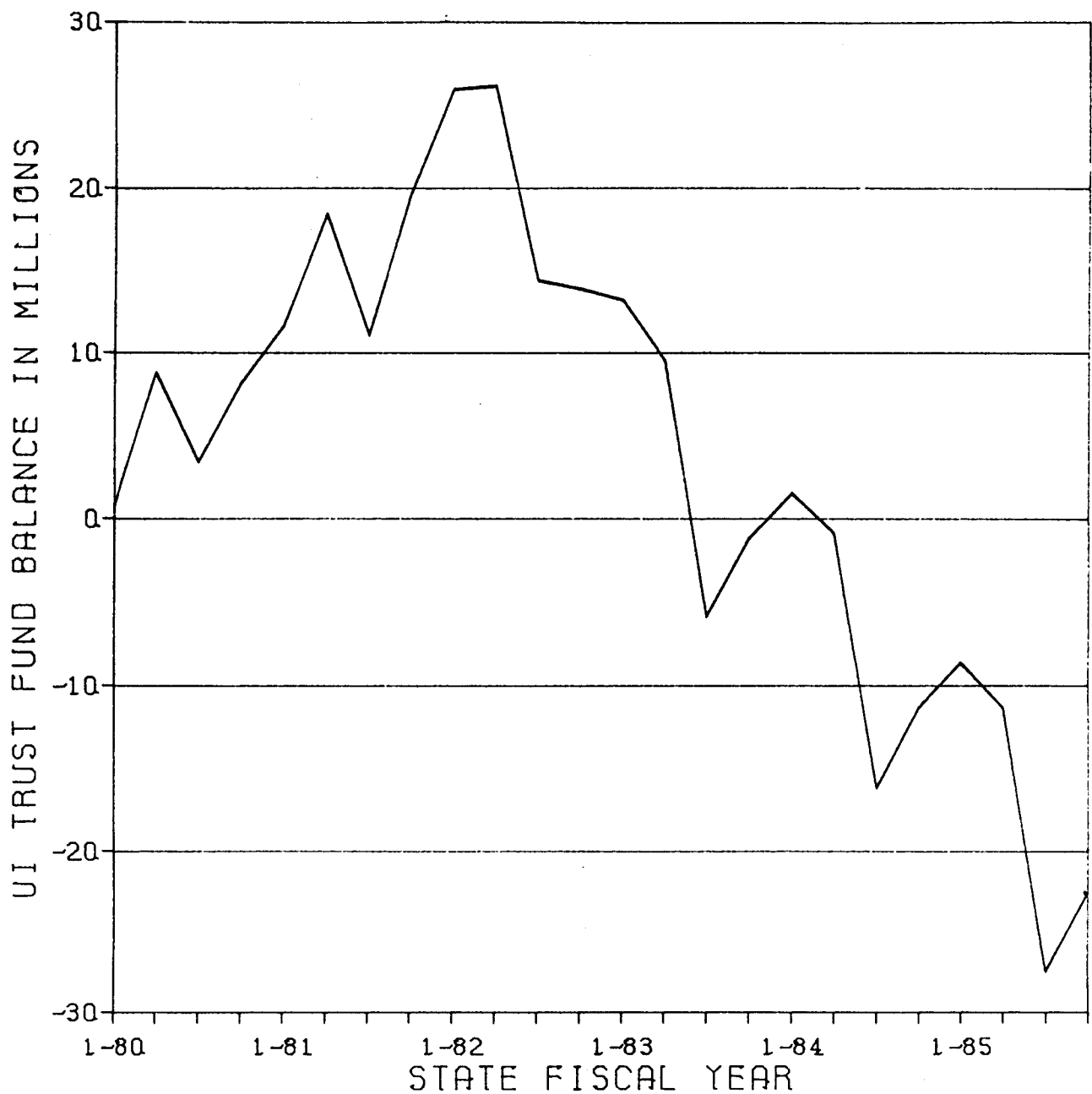
	2.1%	2.3%	2.5%	2.7%	2.9%	3.1%	3.3%	3.5%	3.7%	3.9%
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## CONTRIBUTION RATES FOR DEFICIT EMPLOYERS

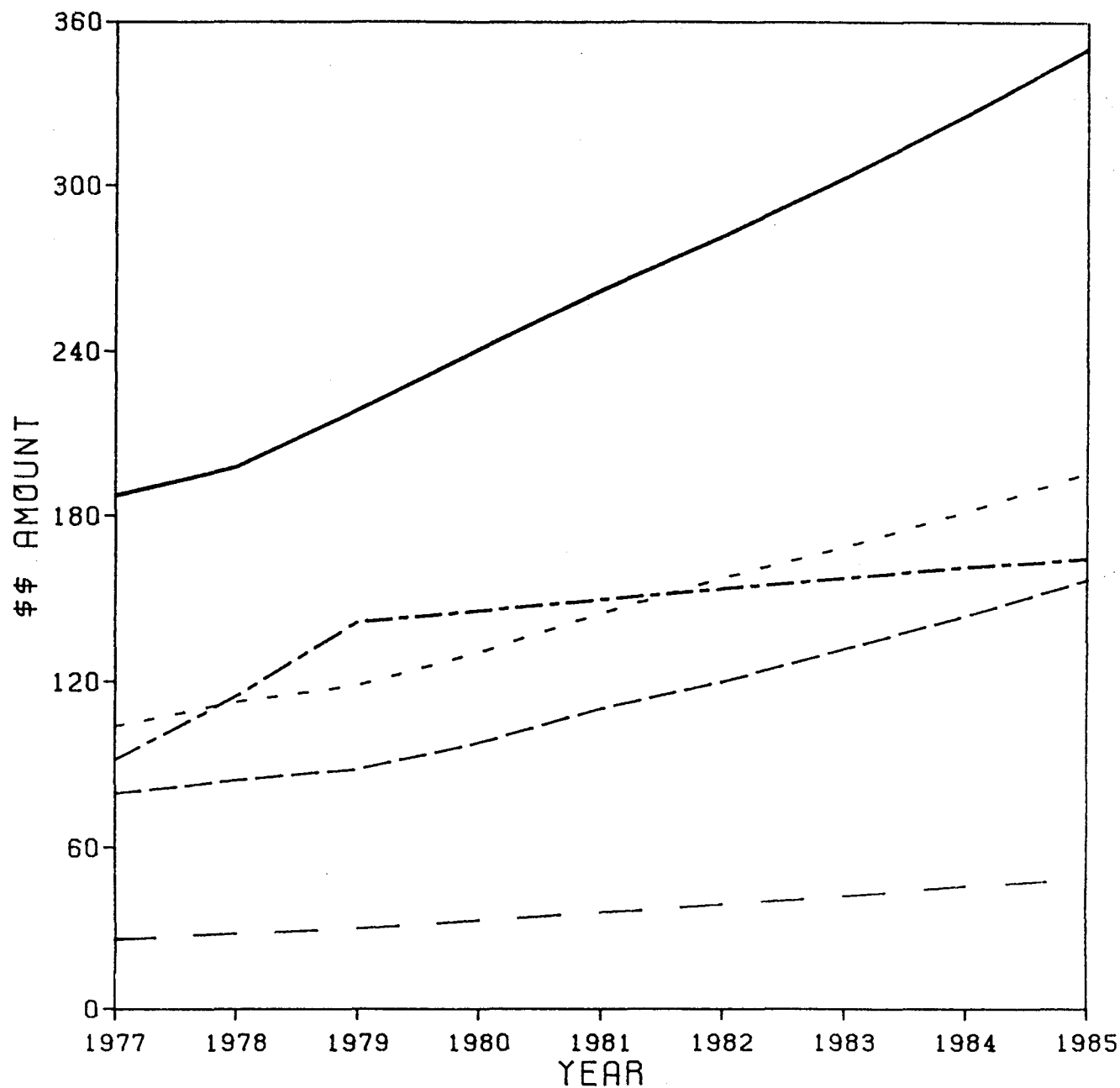
Rate Class	CONTRIBUTION RATES FOR DEFICIT EMPLOYERS									
	2.2%	2.4%	2.6%	2.8%	3.0%	3.2%	3.4%	3.6%	3.8%	4.0%
	1	2.2	2.4	2.6	2.8	3.0	3.2	3.4	3.6	3.8
	2	2.4	2.6	2.8	3.0	3.2	3.4	3.6	3.8	4.0
	3	2.6	2.8	3.0	3.2	3.4	3.6	3.8	4.0	4.2
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# UI TRUST FUND BALANCE

FY 1980 THROUGH 1985



MAX., MIN. & AVG. WKLY. UI BENEFIT AMOUNTS  
TAXABLE WAGE BASE & AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE  
1977 THROUGH 1985



- AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE
- AVERAGE WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT
- - - MAXIMUM WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT
- . MINIMUM WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT
- ... ANNUAL TAXABLE WAGE BASE (DIVIDED BY 52 WKS)

AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE, MAXIMUM WEEK UI BENEFIT AMOUNT,  
AVERAGE WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT & ANNUAL TAXABLE WAGE BASE IN MONTANA

	<u>CY 82</u>	<u>CY 83</u>		<u>CY 84</u>		<u>CY 85</u>	
		<u>Existing</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Existing</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Existing</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
		<u>Law</u>		<u>Law</u>		<u>Law</u>	
Average Weekly Wage	\$282.32		\$303.49		\$326.25		\$350.72
Average Weekly Benefit Amount	\$120.00		\$132.00	\$144.00	\$136.00	\$157.00	\$141.00
Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount	\$158.00	\$169.00	\$162.00	\$182.00	\$167.00	\$196.00	\$179.00
Annual Taxable Wage Base	\$8000	\$8200	\$10,200	\$8400	\$11,000	\$8600	\$11,800

# CENTRALIZED SERVICES DIVISION

January 11, 1988

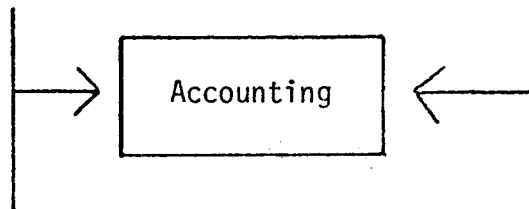
## Organizational Chart

### Functions

### Bureaus

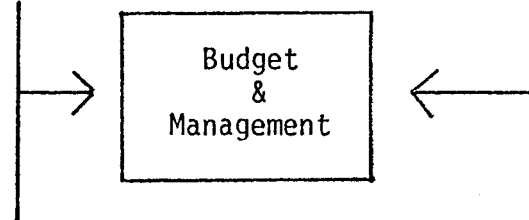
### Source of Staff

Department Accounting  
Payroll  
Cost Allocations  
Grants Administration  
Claims Processing  
Collections & Disbursements



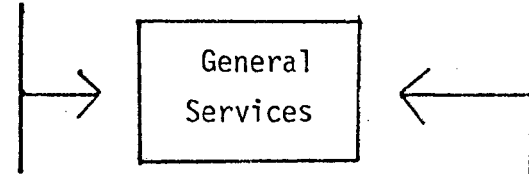
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Administrative Services-E.S.D.

State & Federal Budget Prep.  
Management Information System  
Methods Analysis  
Status Reports  
Legislative Liason  
Fiscal Notes



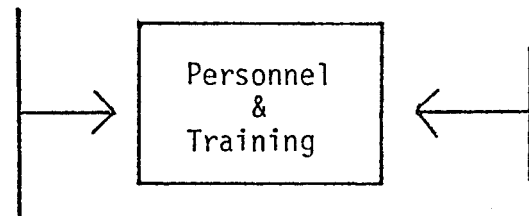
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Property Management  
Purchasing/Supplies  
Printing/Duplicating  
Processing



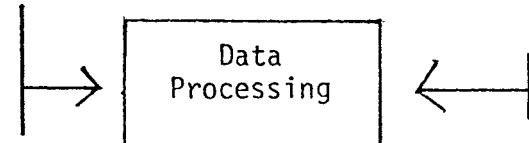
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Recruitment  
Classification  
Labor Relations  
EEO Compliance  
Performance Appraisals



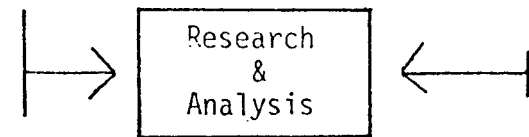
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Workers' Compensation Division

Systems Development  
Systems Maintenance  
Data Entry  
Operations



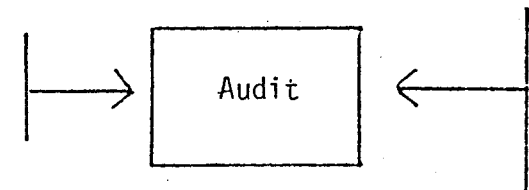
Administrative Services-E.S.D.

Labor Market Research  
Unemployment Projections  
Economic Forecasts



Administrative Services-E.S.D.

Financial Audits  
Performance Audits  
Internal Audits



Workers' Compensation Division  
Unemployment Insurance Division  
-E.S.D.

January 11, 1983

WITNESS STATEMENT

NAME

James W. Murray

BILL No.

U.C.C. benefit  
reduction bill

ADDRESS

P.O. Box 1176 Helena

DATE

1-11-83

WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT

Mont. State AFL-CIO

SUPPORT

OPPOSE

X

AMEND

PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH SECRETARY.

Comments:

The Montana State AFL-CIO opposes  
any cutting of benefits for unemployed  
workers, as is proposed by several  
of the bills which we have heard  
about to day.



*The Big Sky Country*



**MONTANA STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

Rep. Michael G. Devlin  
District No. 52  
Box 186  
Terry, Montana 59349

Committees:  
Taxation,  
Fish & Game,  
~~Public Health~~

January 10, 1983

To: The Sub-Committee on Job Service

I respectfully submit these petitions for the continuation of the Job Service offices in Eastern Montana and, in particular, in Miles City. It is noteworthy to add at this time that the Miles City office of the Job Service also serves the Colstrip area.

I can attest that the Miles City business people signing these petitions represent a large portion of the employers in the Miles City vicinity. They would not have signed these petitions unless they felt very strongly about the continued service they hope to receive from Job Service.

However, I do not believe that these employers wish to finance anything more than Job Service. They have been led to believe that this continuation of service will cost the full .2% additional unemployment insurance tax.

I hope this committee will take this into consideration when making their final decision. I also hope that the members of this committee will also remember that the State of Montana does exist east of Billings.

I apologize to the committee that because of other committee obligations, I was unable to appear in person.

If there are any further questions, I would be more than happy to answer them.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gerry Devlin".  
Representative Gerry Devlin

November 1982

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Sincerely yours,

Edeline Pettigrew

Business Name Augusta Inn

Address Box 147

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Ernest Lange

Business Name

Corlin's Furniture

Address

902 S. Laune  
Missoula City, Mont.

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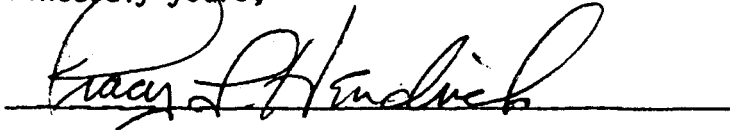
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Business Name

Peabody Coal Co

Address

Box 97 Colstrip MT

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Sincerely yours,

*Leo Huss*

Business Name

*The Depot*

Address

*Colstrip MT 59323*

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Sincerely yours,

Jerry Pospisil

Business Name Terrys IGA

Address 3 Cherry Street (Box 9)  
Colstrip, Montana 59323

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Sincerely yours,

C. A. Gentry

Business Name 600 Capital Hill - In The Wall

Address

P.O. Box 309

Miss. City, MT. 59301

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 DMD

Business Name GREGORY W. OLSON DMD PC

Address P.O. Box 938  
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Joyce Fertel

Business Name

Joyana Fashion Plus

Address

866 Main, Miles City, Mt. 59301

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Phil M. Evans

Business Name Blue Spruce Cafe

Address P.O. Box 953-  
Forsyth, mt 59327

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Judeline M. Perry

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Business Name Best Western War Bonnet Inn

Address P.O. BOX 1055, Miles City, Mt. 59301

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Charles R. Wagner

Business Name

N.A. Nelson Co.

Address

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David Thompson

Business Name MILES CITY APPLIANCE, T.V. & SOUND

Address 511 MAIN ST. MILES CITY MT 59301

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Sincerely yours,

Paul Husted

Business Name Blue Caboose Tours

Address 810 Bridge  
Miles City, MT, 59701

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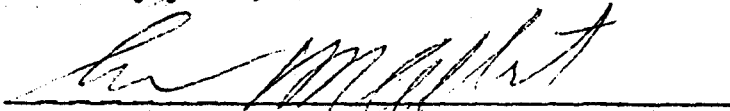
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Business Name Robert Construction Co

Address Box 376 Miles City Mont

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Sincerely yours,

N/A

Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

*I do not agree with this proposal!*  
*I believe the 7 remaining offices or the personnel*  
*should be assigned more on a geographical*  
*area rather than only population centers.*  
*If need be there could be circuit riders*  
*to pay the bills and such thus omitting the*  
*problem with the mail.*  
*Mike O'Hea*  
*O'Hea Appliance Center*



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Sincerely yours,

Daniel D. Watson

City Clerk

Business Name City of Forsyth

Address P.O. Box 226  
247 N. 9th  
Forsyth, MT 59327

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Gary Harper DDS

Business Name

11. So 7th

Address

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DICK and DORY KAHLER

Business Name

**31**

**KAHLER'S**

**804 Main Street**

Address

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Sincerely yours,

Terry G. Chis

Business Name

Miles City Laundry & Cleaners

Address

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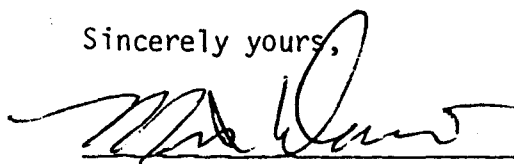
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KIKC & KXKE Radio

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Miles City & Forsyth

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Roland O. Dwyer

Business Name Miller City Store & Print

Address 515 Main, M.C.

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John Kleidroot

Business Name

McDonald's of Helena City

Address

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Helena City Mt  
59301

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Business Name Randall Lumber

Address Helena 59620



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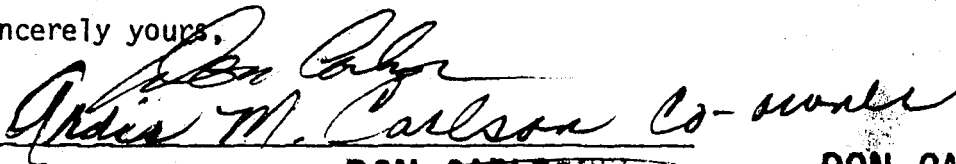
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DON CARLSON

Business Name

DON CARLSON'S

Address

Box 1301 - Miles City, MT. 59701

DON CARLSON'S

114 NORTH 3rd

Box 1301 - Miles City, Mt. 59308

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A & T SUPPLY, INC.

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Address MILES CITY, MONT. 59301

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Business Name D & L Meat Service

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Edward C. Kappas

Business Name THE MELODY SHOP

Address 15 N 8TH ST. MILES CITY, MONT 59301



# United States Department of the Interior

IN REPLY REFER TO  
1400-300

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
Miles City District Office  
P. O. Box 940  
Miles City, Montana 59301

FEB 3 1982

Mr. H. E. Waltermire  
Montana State Employment Service  
Job Service Division  
12 North 10th Street  
Miles City, Montana 59301

Dear Mr. Waltermire:

We are aware of your present austerity problem in that you are presently working employees on a reduced work week and may have to eliminate some positions to meet established reduction ceilings.

We have appreciated the fine cooperation we have received from the Miles City Office in trying to secure professional, clerical, and maintenance type people for us, and we look forward to continuing in the future.

Sincerely yours,

District Manager

Acting

February 2, 1982

Mr. H.E. Waltermire, Administrator  
Job Service Division  
Helena, Montana 59601

Dear Mr. Waltermire;

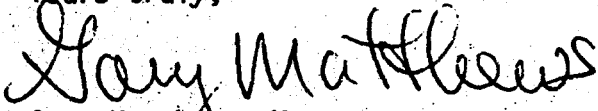
Rumors in the Miles City business community and recent press releases in the state and nation would indicate that Job Service is facing problems due to budget cutbacks from the Federal government.

I am writing to express my support of the Miles City Job Service office and Job Service in Montana. My records show that I have utilized the Miles City office on several occasions in the last 3 months. Whether my requests have been for short term or permanent help I have always received prompt & courteous & effective service from the local staff.

While I appreciate the difficulties of decisions related to mandatory budget reductions, I feel that Job Service is an important service to Miles City.

Please consider this when decisions are made regarding Job Service in Miles City.

Yours truly,



Gary Matthews, Manager  
Little Big Men Pizza  
The Cellar Lounge  
Arnold Mini-Mall  
Miles City, Mt 59301



# Holy Rosary Hospital

(406) 232-2540

2101 Clark Street, Miles City, Montana 59301

Mr. R. B. Waltermire  
General Counsel  
Job Service Division  
Helena, MT 59601

Dear Mr. Waltermire:

We would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation for the fine job that the Job Service office in Miles City has done for us. We make fairly extensive use of that office. We have roughly 90 job openings per year that we try to fill and in most cases they are referred to that office for assistance. I think one of the additional areas of assistance that we appreciate is that we not only get referrals from the local area but the state-wide distribution of hard-to-fill openings.

We would like to express our appreciation to the local office for assistance to our Personnel Department and department heads in the area of educating our people about such things as CETA programs, unemployment insurance, etc. They have been more than willing to come out and talk to our people frequently and we have found this to be most valuable.

I would be glad to comment further on our feelings about the Job Service Department if you would wish to contact me.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Piper  
Executive Director

MRP/jn

Director  
American Health System  
Job Service  
Administration

Brady Memorial Home  
Sioux Falls, South Dakota  
Holy Rosary Hospital  
Miles City, Montana

McKenna Hospital  
Sioux Falls, South Dakota  
Mother Joseph Manor  
Aberdeen, South Dakota

St. Joseph Hospital  
Mitchell, South Dakota  
St. Luke's Hospital  
Aberdeen, South Dakota

# CUSTER COUNTY REST HOME

P.O. Box 130

MILES CITY, MONTANA 59301

Phone 232-1035

January 29, 1982

Mr. Mike Metzenberg  
Job Service  
Miles City, MT  
59301

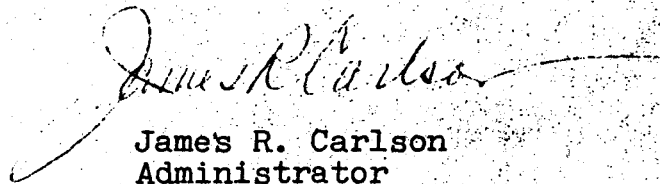
Dear Mike:

Yesterday we put in a call to your service for help. In your typical efficient and concerned manner we had four applicants before the working day was over and had filled the vacancies.

This is not an isolated case but a recurrent happening throughout the years that we have used the Job Service; and we do make many requests from you.

I am overdue in expressing our appreciation for the tremendous job you people do for us. The courtesy, efficiency, and just plain helpfulness has made our task of caring for the elderly so much easier. Without your help our staffing would be far more difficult.

Thanks so much,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James R. Carlson", written over a horizontal line.

James R. Carlson  
Administrator



December 15, 1982

Governor Ted Schwinden  
Capitol Station  
Helena, MT 59620

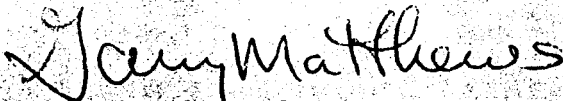
Dear Governor Schwinden,

I am writing to urge your support in continued funding for Job Service in Montana. As an employer in an area now served by a local Job Service office, I am opposed to the office being closed.

I have often used Job Service in hiring, many times on short notice, and the local office has always been efficient in filling my needs. I feel that the offices are vital to employers in the communities they serve.

I would urge your support in exploring state funding options for Job Service, and I would support a (0.2%) increase in employer Unemployment insurance taxes if it is necessary to keep the smaller offices open.

Yours truly,



Gary Matthews, Manager  
Little Big Men Pizza/ The Cellar  
Arnold Mini-mall  
Miles City, MT 59301

cc: Senator Don Ochsner  
Rep. Carl Zabrocki  
Rep. Gerry Devlin  
Rep. Tom Asay



# Miles City Livestock Center

Serving Eastern Montana's Livestock Industry

Phone 406-232-1790

P. O. Box 8

MILES CITY, MONTANA 59301

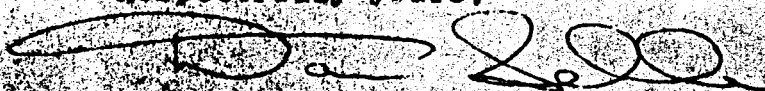
Mr. H.E. Waltermire  
P.O. Box 1728  
Helena, MT. 59601

Dear Mr. Waltermire:

On behalf of our business we wish to express our concern for the future of Job Service. We have used the local Miles City office to hire help. The help we've needed has been short-term labor, but we can call the office and in a short time they have help at our office. We would be in a bind without them in our community.

Please keep this in mind, in future decisions concerning Southeastern Montana.

Respectfully yours,



Dan Sella  
Field Representative  
& Auctioneer

HESSTON  
NEW HOLLAND

# Mac's Frontierland, Inc.

P.O. BOX 399  
MILES CITY, MONTANA 59301  
(406) 232-1183 and 232-2457

MODULAR &  
MOBILE HOMES

January 28, 1982

H.E. Waltermire  
Administrator Job Service  
1728  
Miles City, Mt. 59601

Mr. Waltermire:

The purpose of my letter is let you know that I feel the local Job Service agency is doing a good job for the Miles City area.

Over the past several years we have used our local office to hire both part and full time help. The personnel of the local office have always been most polite and helpful.

It is my feeling that the office is a great service to Miles City.

Sincerely,



Al Makelky

AM:ds



# MILES COMMUNITY COLLEGE

2715 Dickinson

MILES CITY, MONTANA 59301

Telephone (406) 232-3031

Ted Schwinden, Governor  
State Capitol  
Helena, Montana 59620

Dear Governor Schwinden:

I am writing to express my concern about the possible closure of the Job Service Office in Miles City.

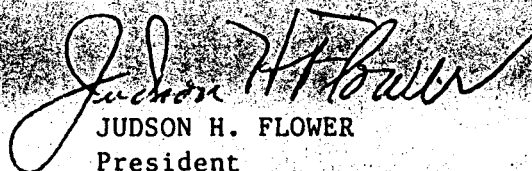
Miles Community College has an ongoing need to work in close association with the Job Service office here in our community. Not only do we depend heavily upon them in the employment of our Support Staff personnel, but their services are invaluable in the placement of students completing our occupational training programs. Moreover, we have relied upon them for the identification of citizens in this area of the state who are eligible to participate in training programs specifically designed to upgrade their employment qualifications. As a result of this cooperative effort we have, each year, added significantly to the number of economically productive individuals in our service area.

Miles City is a center of local, state, and federal institutions and agencies serving the Southeastern region of Montana -- all of whom rely on the Job Service office for those services which are essential to fill our staffing needs with qualified employees. It would seem evident that to close an office serving such a large geographic region would result in substantial harm to these institutions and agencies, thereby compounding the problems associated with these economically difficult times.

I appreciate the difficulty of making decisions that cannot be avoided because of the cutback in federal funds. I would hope, however, that priorities will be established which will recognize the needs of state supported institutions such as Miles Community College and the others in our community -- which add factors beyond the admittedly obvious need to maintain high employment levels for our citizens.

Thank you for your full and careful consideration of this matter.

Respectfully,

  
JUDSON H. FLOWER  
President

JHF:srk

Mr. H. E. Waltermire  
 Administrator - Job Service Div  
 Box 1786  
 Miles City, MT 59301

FROM:

**MILES CITY MOVING & STORAGE**  
 702 Pacific P. O. Box 1172  
 Miles City, Montana 59301  
 Phone: (406) 232-9775

SUBJECT:

DATE:

1-27-82

*Message:* We wish to extend our support and concern for the continuation of the Job Service Division in Miles City and in Colstrip. In our business there are always drivers that load and unload shipments of household goods in this area for which we don't have an extra man or two available to send along with the drivers. There are also many times when we need an extra man or more to assist in local moves or the handling of something extra heavy. Without the job service assistance, we would have an extremely difficult time getting such help.

We find the staff at the Job Service very courteous and efficient. They have always found us the help we needed, even at times of short notice, and they follow through to see if the help has shown up. We hope to see the Job Service Division continue to operate, for without it we would be at a loss.

Cordially,

DATE OF REPLY

*George L. Holom*  
 George L. Holom, Mgr.

SIGNED

RECIPIENT





800 Bridge St.  
Ph. (406) 232-2240

# Miles City Laundry & Dry Cleaners

RENTAL LINEN

Uniforms — Coveralls — Table Covers — Shop Towels — Walk-off Rugs — Roller Towels

MILES CITY, MONTANA 59601

January 28, 1982

Mr. H. E. Waltermire  
Administrator Job Service Division  
Montana Department of Labor  
Helena, Montana 59601

Dear Mr. Waltermire:

I want to express my gratitude for the outstanding job your local Job Service office performs in Miles City, Montana. Your employees are most conscientious and dedicated personnel.

I have availed myself of the services our local office offers approximately ten times in the last calendar year and have always been pleased with the service received.

With the forthcoming budgetary problems besieging our state, I hope that our efficiently run local Job Service office does not have its budget cut to the point it will impair its services to the community.

Sincerely,

*Terry A. Cline*

Terry A. Cline, President  
MILES CITY LAUNDRY & DRY CLEANERS

TAC:ljl



# First Bank Miles City

First National Bank in Miles City  
P.O. Box 1139  
Miles City, Montana 59301  
406 232-1610

DANIEL K. SULLIVAN  
Vice President

January 27, 1982

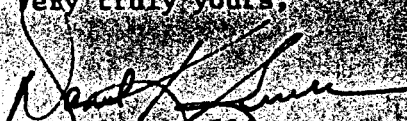
Governor Ted Schwinden  
State Capitol Building  
Helena, Mt 59601

Dear Governor Schwinden:

Our bank relies quite heavily upon our local Job Service Office to fill position openings. Over the past year, we have placed 100% of our position openings with the local Job Service Office. We have always received satisfactory service from the Miles City Office and feel they provide a significant service to Miles City, Custer County, and Southeastern Montana.

While realizing the necessity for budget cutbacks, I would urge you to consider leaving our local Job Service Office at its present service level.

Very truly yours,

  
Daniel K. Sullivan  
Vice President

DKS:cy



**Western States Life  
Insurance Company**

M. J. CARRANCO, Regional Director  
P.O. Box 1380, Miles City, MT 59601  
Telephone: Bus. 232-4144, Res. 232-2336

January 26, 1982

Governor Ted Schwinden  
State Capital  
Helena, Mt. 59601

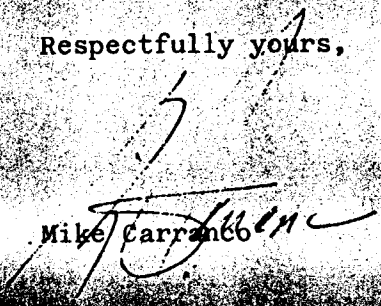
Dear Sir:

There are rumors in the business sector of Miles City that we may lose our local Job Service of Montana, located at 12 North 10th, Miles City.

Job Service is the only outlet where the business people can turn to in the event of an employee replacement or addition. In my opinion, one of the major offices that is needed in Eastern Montana is here in Miles City. Our local people have always done excellent work in assisting the business sector.

Sir, if at all possible, we hope that your office can see fit to retain these services as they are.

Respectfully yours,

  
Mike Carranco

MC/kh



November 1982

Governor Ted Schwinden  
Capitol Station  
Helena, Montana 59620

Dear Governor Schwinden;

As an employer in an area now served by Job Service, I am opposed to the closure of the office.

I think Job Service is important to our community and necessary in our efforts to attract new business and provide assistance to existing businesses and job seekers.

To retain Job Service, I am willing to pay up to (0.2%) in additional unemployment insurance taxes to keep our local office open.

Sincerely yours,

*Jim V. Hoy Wilson*

Business Name *Modena Local Plant*

Address

*P.O. Box 948 - Forsyth, Mont  
59327*

TESTIMONY OF CELINDA C. LAKE, WOMEN'S LOBBYIST FUND, ON JANUARY 10, 1983,  
ON CETA FUNDING, PRESENTED BEFORE HUMAN SERVICES APPROPRIATION  
SUBCOMMITTEE

We support full acceptance of available CETA funding for programs in Montana. CETA programs include educational programs, job training preparation for and assistance in job search, counseling, and displaced homemakers programs. According to Department of Labor figures, roughly 5% of the universe of CETA programs is available in Montana.

Particularly in these tough economic times the kinds of services that CETA provide are critical. Women who often approach the job market outside the home with less experience and after long absences have real need for the kinds of programs which not only help them find jobs, but also help them become "job ready." There has been much publicity about the feminization of poverty which makes job and educational training programs all the more important for women. Finally, CETA funding has helped provide funding for such programs as displaced homemakers programs which help women in crisis deal with a sudden economic change in their and their families' situation.

The Women's Lobbyist Fund would urge this committee to accept all available CETA funds to continue the valuable programs which have been established in Montana.

WITNESS STATEMENT

NAME George E. Allen BILL No. \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS HELENA MT DATE \_\_\_\_\_

WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT MONTANA RETAIL ASSN

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

PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH SECRETARY.

Comments:

MONTANA RETAIL ASSN. SUPPORTS the idea of  
a solid financially sound U.I. program.

If more funds are needed they should  
be raised through higher wage base, not  
changing % rate.



November 1982

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