PROGRAM: VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

ADMINISTRATION

Difference	3.70	\$61,103		\$ (9)	931	(16)	2,693 (1,345)	(9)	\$ 2,238 4,479	\$67,820		\$99,063	47,059	-0- (181,218)	\$67,820
1985 Current <u>Level</u>	72.55	\$1,531,183		\$ 69,852	82,737	74,542	119,237	3,628	\$ 358,375 4,479	\$1,894,037 =========		\$ 464,306	47,059	20,000 1,259,756	\$1,894,037 ========
Executive	68.85	\$1,470,080	٠	\$ 69,861	81,806	74,558	116,544 3,724	3,634	\$ 356,137	\$1,826,217 ========		\$ 365,243 -0-	-0-	20,000	\$1,826,217 =======
Difference	3.70	\$63,478		(9) \$	1,232	(11)	2,696 (1,269)	(4)	\$ 2,632 4,248	\$70,358 ======		\$ (689)	42,397	-0- (75,839)	\$70,358
1984 Current <u>Level</u>	72.55	\$1,533,310		\$ 65,901	70,604	71,678	112,490 2,244	3,424	\$ 332,005 4,248	\$1,869,563 =========		\$ 359,152	42,397	20,000 1,343,525	\$1,869,563
Executive	68.85	\$1,469,832		\$ 65,907	69,372	71,689	109,794 3,513	3,428	\$ 329,373	\$1,799,205 ========	,	\$ 359,841 -0-	0-0	20,000 1,419,364	\$1,799,205 =======
1983 <u>Approp</u> .	75.35	\$1,567,195		\$ 59,400	49,302	90,400	116,446 2,053	5,940	\$ 333,045 1,850	\$1,902,090 =========		\$ 692,800		1,209,290	\$1,902,090 =========
1982 <u>Actual</u>	75.35	\$1,341,092		5 61,658	59,934	63,427	100,119 3,126	3,051	\$ 296,359 7,155	\$1,644,606 =========		\$ 285,221	42,731	1,206,764	\$1,644,606 ========
	FTE	Personal Services	Operating Expenses	Contracted Services	Communications	Travel	Rent Repairs	Other	Total Equipment	Total Admin.	Funding	General Fund SSDI - Trust		Training Section 110	Total

VOCATIONAL AND VISUAL ADMINISTRATION

Issue 1: Funding Sources for Administration.

Should SSDI trust funds and SSI funds be used for administration?

Point 1. SSID and SSI funds have historically been used for administration and were in fiscal 1982. There has been a drop in SSI and SSDI, should general fund replace these funds?

<u>Administration</u>	Appropriated	Expended	Difference
General Fund Third Party	\$ 587,789	\$ 375,155 1,605	\$ 212,634 (1,605)
SSI	63,487	46,056	17,431
SSDI	160,282	113,113	47,169
Fraining	24,000	10,785	13,215
Vendor Section 110	-0- 1 270 502	-0-	-0-
	1,276,563	1,563,589	(287,026)
Total Administration	\$2,112,121 =======	\$2,110,303 ========	\$1,818 =====
Benefits			
General Fund	\$ 577,881	\$ 416,781	\$161,100
SSI	61,513	9,392	52,121
SSDI	141,718	28,897	112,821
IARA	199,334	264,984	(65,650)
Vendor CETA	5,513 -0-	8,214 619,792	(2,701) (619,792)
Section 110	1,806,025	1,563,114	242,911
Total Benefits	\$2,791,984	\$2,911,174	(\$119,190)
Total Benefits	========	========	(\$115,150)
<u>Total</u>			
General Fund	\$1,165,670	\$ 791,936	\$ 373,734
SSI	125,000	55,448	69,552
SSDI	302,000	142,010	159,990
Training	24,000	10,785	13,215
Third Party Vendor	5,513	1,605	(1,605) (2,701)
IARA	199,334	8,214 264,984	(65,650)
Section 110	3,082,588	3,126,703	(44,115)
CETA	-0-	619,792	(619,792)
Total	\$4,904,105	\$5,021,477	\$ 117,372
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FTE (Vocational Rehabilitation)

Difference	0.00	(3.70)	(3.70)
	====	=====	=====
Executive	75.35	68.85	68.85
LFA	75.35	72.55	72.55
	Actual FY 1982	FY 1984	FY 1985

The difference is due to the executive deleting $6.5 \, \text{FTE}$ while the LFA deleted $2.8 \, \text{FTE}$ ($6.5 - 2.8 = 3.7 \, \text{FTE}$).

The executive deleted FTE per recommendations of the Governor's Council on Management.

Current Level Adjustments

Personal services is reduced by 2.35 FTE, representing elimination of one clerical and two rehabilitation counselor positions. These positions were vacant the majority of fiscal 1982. In additional, three positions whose salaries should have been allocated 15 percent to Visual Services, but were not, were reduced .15 FTE each, for total FTE reduction of 2.80.

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FTE DELETIONS

	Executive FTE	LFA FTE	Difference
Counselor, Rehabilitation Administrative Aide	3.00	1.85	1.15
	1.50	0.00	1.50
Human Service Aide	2.00	0.00	2.00
Clerk, Typist -	0.00	0.50	(0.50)
Human Service Manager	0.00	0.15	(0.15)
Program Manager IV	0.00	0.15	(0.15)
Administrative Assistant	<u>0</u> .00	<u>0.15</u>	<u>(0.15</u>)
•	6.50	2.80	3.70

135. Close three Rehabilitative Services Division district offices.

Three of the 13 Rehabilitative Services Division's district field offices operate with less than half the average work load. These offices, located at Lewistown, Warm Springs and Deer Lodge, should be closed. Warm Springs and Deer Lodge cases could be transferred to Butte while Lewistown cases would be covered two days per week with personnel from Billings. Implementation will increase efficiency while producing an annual state saving of \$19,000 and a federal saving of \$77,000.

COMMUNICATIONS

The difference is due to the executive removing approximately \$2,200 from the base for a local rate decrease and LFA removing \$934 from the actual 1982 expenditures of in-state usage due to FTE reductions.

RENT

The difference is due to the executive reducing building rent for the closure - two offices Lewistown (\$1,200) and Crow Agency (\$1,500).

REPAIRS

The difference is due to the LFA deleting \$1,126 from the base.

The LFA reduced the base because:

- 1. 1982 expenditures appeared abnormally high, and
- 2. \$4,248 was provided in fiscal 1984 and \$4,479 in fiscal 1985 for the purchase of three typewriters, and two dictation and transcribing devises in each year of the biennium.

The department has acknowledged that the new equipment should reduce repair expense.

EQUIPMENT

	Actual FY 1982	FY 1984	FY 1985
Executive	\$7,155	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Current Level		_4,248	_4,479
Difference	\$ -0-	(\$4,248)	(\$4,479)
	=====	=====	======

The difference if due to:

the LFA provided funds for two new typewriters and 2 dictaphone/ transcribers in each year of the biennium.

Present equipment was purchased with a federal grant as long as ten

years ago and is outdated or worn out. New equipment should increase

efficiency and reduce repair expense.

Fiscal 1984	
Three typewriters at \$966 each Two dictation/transcribers at \$675 each	\$2,898 <u>1,350</u>
Total	\$4,248 =====
Fiscal 1985	
Three typewriters at \$1,043 each Two dictation/transcribers at \$675 each	\$3,129 <u>1,350</u>
Total	\$4,479 =====

BENEFITS

Difference	\$ (26,905) (115,986) (47,059) -0-	\$(189,140) ========		\$(618,471) 275,729 -0-	(115,986) (47,059)	316,647	\$(189,140)
1985 Current Level D	\$2,228,181 27,784 11,186 230,000 350,000	\$2,847,151 \$ ====================================		\$ 230,000 \$ 663,629 350,000		1	\$2,847,151 \$
Executive	\$2,254,276 143,770 58,245 230,000 350,000	\$3,036,291 ========		\$ 848,471 387,900 350,000	143,700 58,245	1,247,975	\$3,036,291 ========
Difference	\$ 25,208 (104,489) (42,397) -0-	\$(121,681) ========		\$(439,594) 266,865 -0-	(104,489) (42,397)	197,934	\$(121,681) ========
1984 Current <u>Level</u>	\$2,102,058 26,211 10,553 230,000 350,000	\$2,718,822 ========		\$ 230,000 626,065 350,000	26,211 10,553	1,475,993	\$2,718,822 ========
Executive	\$2,076,853 130,700 52,950 230,000 350,000	\$2,840,503 ========		\$ 669,594 359,200 350,000	130,000 52,950	1,278,759	\$2,840,503 ========
1983 <u>Approp</u> .	\$2,244,725 130,700 52,950 230,000	\$2,658,375 ========		\$ 514,000 208,822	1,935,553		\$2,658,375 =========
1982 <u>Actual</u>	\$1,870,824 23,328 9,392 211,619 561,225	\$2,676,388 ========		\$ 338,494 264,984 561,225	23,328 9,392	1,478,965	\$2,676,388 ========
Benefits	Sec. 110-Rehab. SSDI Trust SSI Extended Emp. CETA	Total	Funding	General Fund IARA CETA	SSDI - Trust SSI	Section 110	Total

<u>Issue 2</u>: Should IARA funds be used as state funds to match "110" benefits for vocational rehabilitation?

<u>Point 1</u>: The amount of Section 110 and IARA benefits differs by \$1,700 or .04 percent over the 1985 biennium.

		-Fiscal 1984-			Fiscal 1985	
Source	Executive	<u>LFA</u>	Difference	Executive	LFA	<u>Difference</u>
Section 110	\$1,278,059	\$1,475,993	\$(197,934)	\$1,247,905	\$1,564,552	\$(316,647)
IARA	359,200	626,065	(266,865)	387,900	663,629	(275,729)
General Fund	439,594	-0-	439,594	618,471	-0-	618,471
Total	\$2,076,853	\$2,102,058	\$ (25,205)	\$2,254,276	\$2,228,181	\$ 26,905
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<u>Point 2</u>: The difference between section 110 funds used is \$127,302 between programs and between benefit and administrations the LFA numbers tie to the budget request--see attached.

	1984		1985		
	Executive	<u>LFA</u>	Executive	LFA	
Voc-Admin Voc-Benefit Vis-Admin Vis-Benefit	\$1,419,364 1,278,759 466,474 98,092	\$1,343,525 1,475,993 403,011 94,550	\$1,440,974 1,247,975 472,559 87,795	\$1,259,756 1,564,552 397,684 100,223	
Total	\$3,262,689	\$3,317,079	\$3,249,303	\$3,322,215	
Funding Difference	\$54,	390	\$72,	912	

<u>Point 3</u>: There are \$1,289,695 potential IARA dollars available. Of this, \$417,900 is the income projected for fiscal 1984 and \$478,200 for fiscal 1985. So \$393,594 of these funds are from carryover.

The law raises some questions about the reversion of these funds. SRS financial records do not indicate the agency reverts them.

OPTIONS

Option a: Should the \$393,594 IARA dollars be appropriated for benefits?

Option b: Should benefits be reduced?

Option c: Should general fund be utilized to maintain benefits?

Benefits and Claims

Because Visual and Vocational Rehabilitation share the same "closed ended" funding sources, the two programs must be considered together. Funding sources include Section 110, Supplemental Security Insurance (SSI), Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI), Comprehensive Employment Act (CETA) and the State's Industrial Accident Rehabilitation Account (Workers Compensation).

1) Section 110 - Little information is available concerning potential changes. This program has a ceiling. We anticipate no change in the level of funding, estimated at \$3,610,000 per year. As a result of the ceiling, each years operational cost uses up more of these funds with a corresponding decrease in funds available for benefits and claims. The matching rate is \$0/20, Federal/State for both administrative cost and benefits. Section 110 funds available for benefits was derived as follows:

	FY 84	FY 65	Total
Funds Available	\$3,610,000	\$3,610,000 -	\$7,220,000
SWCAP	(42,381)	(45,705)-	(88,186)
Prg. 04/Adm. & Support	(250,539)	(241,579)	(492,118)
Voc. Rehab. Adm.	(1,541,063)	(1,562,654)	(3,103,722)
Visual Adm.	(466,474)	(472,559)	(939,033)
Balance for Benefits	<u>\$1,309,538</u>	\$1,287,503	\$2,597,041
Add. In Svc. Train. Funds	20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 40,000
Adj. Bal.	\$1,329,538	\$1,307,503	\$2,637,041

INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT REHABILITATION ACCOUNT FUNDS

Fund Balance Fiscal Year-End 1982 Fiscal 1983 Estimated Addition	\$ 219,767 382,650
Authorized Expenditure (1983)	(208,822)
Fund Balance Beginning 1984	\$ 393,594
Fiscal 1984 Additions	417,900
Available in 1984	811,495
Additions in 1985	478,200
Available Over Biennium	\$1,289,695 =======

At 6 Percent Growth:

Total	\$1,289,659
Fiscal 1985	663,629
Fiscal 1984	\$ 626,065

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Part 10

Referral of Disabled Workers for Vocational Rehabilitation

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39-71-1002. Certification of department's determination to fivision — review of award. When the department of social and rehabilitation services has provided all feasible vocational rehabilitation to an sured worker or has determined that vocational rehabilitation is not possible or feasible, it shall certify its determination to the division, at which the division shall reconsider and review any previous award of compension to the injured worker which is then in effect.

History: En. Sec. 2, Ch. 21, L. 1961; amd. Sec. 84, Ch. 23, L. 1975; R.C.M. 1947, 92-1402.

other expenses payable. The eligibility of any injured worker to cieve other benefits under the Workers Compensation Act is in no way excited by his entrance upon a course of vocational rehabilitation as herein be department of social and rehabilitation services from funds herein product.

- (1) his actual and necessary travel expenses from his place of residence
- (2) his living expenses while in training in an amount not in excess of \$50 (3) k:
- (3) his expenses for tuition, books, and necessary equipment in training.

 **History: En. Sec. 3, Ch. 21, L. 1961; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 363, L. 1971; R.C.M. 1947, 92-1403; amd.

 **Co. Ch. 397, L. 1979.

39-71-1004. Industrial accident rehabilitation account. (1) The ayments provided in 39-71-1003 shall be made from the industrial accident habilitation account in the agency fund. Payments to the account shall be as by each employer account as follows:

(a) by each employer operating under the provisions of plan No. 1 of the rockers' Compensation Act, an amount to be assessed by the division, not Montana for the preceding fiscal year:

(b) by each insurer insuring employers under the provisions of plan No. lef the Workers' Compensation Act, an amount to be assessed by the dividured in Montana during the preceding fiscal year;

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- (c) by the division, an amount to be determined by the division, not exceeding 1% of the compensation paid to injured employees in Montana from the industrial insurance account in the agency fund and the occupational disease account in the agency fund for the preceding fiscal year.
- (2) Separate accounts of the amounts collected and disbursements made from the industrial accident rehabilitation account in the agency fund shall be kept for each of the plans. If in any fiscal year the amount collected from the employers under any plan exceeds the amount of payments for employers of the employers under such plan, the assessment against the employers under such plan for the following year shall be reduced.
- (3) The payments herein provided for shall be made to the division which shall credit the sums paid to the industrial accident rehabilitation account which shall be in the custody of the state treasurer. Disbursement from the account shall be made after approval by the department of social and rehabilitation services and upon audit and approval by the department of administration.
- (4) No part of the funds allocated or contributed as herein provided and contemplated shall be used in payment of administrative expenses of the division or department of social and rehabilitation services.

History: En. Sec. 7, Ch. 21, L. 1961; amd. Sec. 3, Ch. 221, L. 1963; amd. Sec. 85, Ch. 23, L. 1975; R.C.M. 1947, 92-1406.

- 39-71-1005. Required rehabilitation. (1) The division may, under the provisions and procedures set forth in this section, require a claimant k pursue a vocational rehabilitation course in order to be entitled to continue workers' compensation benefits.
- (2) The division shall make a determination, on a case-by-case basis, of the availability and appropriateness of a rehabilitation program for a claim ant receiving workers' compensation benefits. The determination shall be made only after consultation with the department of social and rehabilitation services and division-sanctioned rehabilitation committees that are able to provide competent information regarding the rehabilitation of a claimant.
- (3) If the division determines that a rehabilitation program is feasible an appropriate for a claimant receiving workers' compensation benefits, the division must require the claimant to enter into the program. If a claimant refuses to enter the program, the claimant's biweekly benefits may be ordered terminated.
- (4) Any order terminating benefits may only be issued after the claimer has an opportunity for a hearing before a workers' compensation judg regarding the feasibility and appropriateness of the rehabilitation program. After the hearing, the judge may approve or deny the division's determination regarding the feasibility or appropriateness of the proposed rehabilitation program.
- (5) If a claimant does not request a hearing and benefits are terminated and subsequently the claimant requests a hearing, the claimant is entitled a retroactive weekly benefits for a maximum of 8 weeks from the date of request for hearing, and to continued weekly benefits pending a decision to the workers' compensation judge.

History: En. Sec. 1, Ch. 123, L. 1979.

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TO:

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FKOM:

William R. Palmer, Assistant Administrator

DATE: October 18, 1982

RE:

Estimate of Workers' Comp Vocational Rehab Revenue

As we discussed this morning during our telephone conversation, one percent of the prior year comp paid by insurance carriers is deposited in a trust account, 09227, to pay rehabilitation costs for injured workers. The following represents our best estimate of what can be expected to be deposited to this account for the indicated fiscal years.

Fiscal Year	Estimated Revenue
_* 1982	\$310,000
1983	S382,650
1984	\$417,900
1985	\$478,200

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BALANCE SHEET									
CASH REGEIVANLES INTER-ENTITY RE INVESTMENTS ADVANCES OTHER ASSETS	\$ 6,973 14,8,012 4,973,406	07	v	242, 183	89	\$ 15,821	\$ 5,792	\$ 4,078	4, 302
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 5,428,391	\$ 40	\$	2112, 183	\$ 68	\$ 15,821	\$ 5,792	8 4,078	\$ 4,302
LIABILITIES -									
ACCRUED LIAB	\$ 1107, 154		S	22,416			\$ 17	5 57	
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TOTAL LIAB	8 407, 154		v.	22,416		15,821	\$ 17	5 57	\$ 5,522
FUND BALANCE	\$ 5,021,237	01, 8	co	219,767	89 s		\$ 5.775	\$ 4,021	\$ (1,220)
TOTAL LIAB & F-8	\$ 5,420,391	S 410	S	242, 183	S 68	\$ 15,821	\$ 5,792	\$ 4,078	\$ 11, 302
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS									
RECEIPTS -									
REVERUE	\$ 13,353,061	,	ເກ	307,923	\$ 68		\$ 3,613	\$ 2,933	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 13,358,061		S.	307,923	S 68		\$ 3,613	\$ 2,933	
DISBURSEMENTS -									
EXPERDITURES WITHDRAWALS	\$ 10,021,730	\$, 135	s.	264,984			3,261	\$ 1,297	1,22,1
TOTAL DISBURSE	\$ 10,021,230	\$ 135	\$	264,984			\$ 3,261	\$ 1,678	1,221
FRIOR YR ADJUST									
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TOTAL ABJUST			S	9.229					
HET OFFICATIONS	5 3,336,831	\$ (135)	S	52, 160	S 69		\$ 352	\$ 1,255	\$ (1,22,1)
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B. Social Security Disability Income (SSDI)

	Actual FY 1982	FY 1984	FY 1985
Executive Current Level	\$23,328 _23,328	\$130,700 26,211	\$143,700 27,784
Difference	\$ -0- ======	\$104,489	\$115,986 ======

Difference is due to:

- 1. Executive used 1983 appropriation (\$130,700) in fiscal 1984 and inflated at 10 percent to fiscal 1985.
 - 2. LFA inflated actual 1982 expenditure at 6 percent annually.

C. Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

	Actual FY 1982	FY 1984	FY 1985
Executive	\$9,392	\$52,950	\$58,245
Current Level	_9,392		11,186
Difference	\$ -0-	\$42,397	\$47,059
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Difference is due to:

- 1. Executive used the 1983 appropriation (\$52,950) in fiscal 1984 and inflated 10 percent to fiscal 1985.
 - 2. LFA inflated actual 1982 expenditure at 6 percent annually.

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D. Extended Employment

This is a 100 percent general fund program to secure employment for severely disabled individuals in sheltered workshops.

	Actual FY 1982	FY 1984	FY 1985
Executive Current Level	\$211,619 211,619	\$230,000 230,000	\$230,000 230,000
Difference	*	\$ -0- ======	\$ -0- ======

No Difference in executive and LFA proposals.

E. Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA)

CETA funding became available in fiscal 1982. The department has anticipated CETA funds of \$350,000 in each year of the 1985 biennium. This amount was used in the executive and LFA proposals.

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