

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
HUMAN SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE
MONTANA STATE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 20, 1985

The meeting of the Human Services Subcommittee was called to order by Chairman Cal Winslow on February 20, 1985 at 7:07 a.m. in Room 108 of the State Capitol.

ROLL CALL: All members were present.

E X E C U T I V E A C T I O N

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES

Eligibility Determination (EXHIBIT 1)

Representative Rehberg (53:A:022) made a motion to accept the LFA current level of 318.61 FTE in FY86 and 318.61 FTE in FY87.

The motion PASSED.

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the LFA current level for personal services of \$6,443,111 in FY86 and \$6,454,195 in FY87.

The motion PASSED.

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the LFA current level for operating expenses of \$114,196 in FY86 and \$117,779 in FY87.

The motion PASSED.

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept 5 FTE in FY86 and 10 FTE in FY87 for additional eligibility technicians in state assumed counties, and the appropriate adjustments be made in the totals.

The motion PASSED with Representative Bradley and Senator Manning voting NO.

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept 8 FTE in FY86 and 16 FTE in FY87 for additional eligibility technicians in non-assumed counties, and the appropriate adjustments made in the totals.

The motion PASSED.

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Senator Manning made a motion to accept Issue #3 for the Existing Staff with the totals of \$68,925 in FY86 and \$70,303 in FY87.

The motion PASSED.

Developmental Disabilities Planning
& Advisory Council (EXHIBIT 2)

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the LFA current level of 2.0 FTE in FY86 and 2.0 FTE in FY87.

There was discussion following concerning the issue of a third FTE for this division.

Senator Story made a substitute motion to give the council 3 FTE in FY86 and 3 FTE in FY87.

The substitute motion PASSED with Chairman Winslow voting NO.

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the LFA current level for personal services of \$46,790 in FY86 and \$47,052 in FY87 with the adjustments made.

The motion PASSED.

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the LFA current level for operating expenses of \$34,226 in FY86 and \$35,313 in FY87 with the appropriate adjustments made for the additional FTE.

The motion PASSED.

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the LFA current level for grants of \$166,277 in FY86 and \$164,544 in FY87.

Representative Bradley asked Peter Blouke what grants are used for.

Representative Rehberg made a substitute motion to accept the executive request for grants of \$195,000 in FY86 and \$195,000 in FY87.

The substitute motion PASSED.

Representative Rehberg made a motion to include in the appropriations bill the language that was in the appropriations bill last session and 'Option B' that was contained in the LFA analysis regarding the direction from the committee that the grant funds be used for direct services.

The motion PASSED.

Developmental Disabilities (EXHIBIT 3)

Peter Blouke discussed the chart showing all the Developmental Disabilities programs with the FY85 base and the FY86 slots, executive request and the FY87 slots and executive request (EXHIBIT 4). He said the committee has the prerogative to give direction to the department as to what they perceive the priority of services to be.

Chairman Winslow said if the committee accepts the LFA with a 4.5 percent increase, there is approximately a \$100,000 difference between that and the executive request.

Discussion followed concerning the program transfer and slots.

Chairman Winslow said if the committee accepts a specific dollar amount, to give the department the direction that they make adjustments according to most acute needs first.

Dave Lewis said if money is given to address the waiting list, there would not be enough money given to take care of the people that are now receiving services.

Senator Christiaens asked if the \$190,837 program transfer is included in the LFA; it is not. It is included in the executive request.

There was discussion on going from a higher base and asking for more slots from that higher base.

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the LFA 4.5 percent increase for Developmental Disabilities Division of \$14,721,433 in FY86 and \$15,316,552 in FY87.

Representative Bradley made a substitute motion to include the program transfer of \$190,837 in the LFA current level for both FY86 and FY87.

Chairman Winslow said if that is done, that would be above the total. He said it would be better to take the executive request.

Representative Bradley changed her motion to accept the executive request for \$15,059,255 in FY86 and \$15,661,624 in FY87 for developmental disabilities.

The motion PASSED with Representative Rehberg and Senator Story voting NO.

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Senator Manning made a motion to accept the modified request for Specialized Foster Care and Special Needs grants and benefits of \$209,789 in FY86 and \$218,180 in FY87.

The motion PASSED.

The committee wanted the minutes to reflect that it is the intent of the committee that the department would serve the needs of the most acute cases first.

Senator Manning made a motion to accept the third party revenue for the Montana Conference on Development Disabilities of \$14,338 in FY86 and \$16,605 in FY87. The department is asking for the spending authority to disperse the funds when they are collected. The motion is to include that these amounts are not state funds. they are third party funds.

The motion PASSED.

Upon discussion of the Developmental Disabilities Waiting List reduction, Chairman Winslow asked if the department has corresponding federal funds to compensate if any monies are received up to the \$240,000 general fund amount. He also asked what the difference would be if the committee funded this at a level of \$200,000 of the general fund.

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the general funding level for the Reduction in Developmental Disabilities Waiting List of \$200,000 in FY86 and \$200,000 in FY87 with the appropriate adjustments made in the totals.

Chairman Winslow recommended funding only 1 FTE instead of 2 FTE that is asked for. This would give more to the waiting list benefits. He also asked what would happen if the Medicaid waiver were lost.

Chairman Winslow wanted to include in Representative Rehberg's motion the authorization for only 1 FTE and that being the first adjustment.

The motion PASSED.

Senator Christiaens asked the committee if they would reconsider previous action taken on the Domestic Violence program. He said he thought it should be addressed somehow by going back to that budget and ask for the Domestic Violence program to be included at that funding level of four percent that was requested.

Senator Christiaens made a motion to reconsider previous action taken by the committee on the Domestic Violence program by going back and looking at the budget and make the necessary adjustments.

The motion PASSED with Representative Rehberg and Senator Story voting NO.

Senator Christiaens made a motion to accept the executive request for domestic violence funding of \$131,871 in FY86 and \$137,146 in FY87. This is reconsideration of previous action taken by the committee on this program.

The motion PASSED with Representative Rehberg and Senator Story voting NO.

At this point in the meeting, the subcommittee moved to the Old Supreme Court chambers to hear HB 843.

HOUSE BILL NO. 843

Hearing commenced on House Bill No. 843 (53:B:345). Chairman Winslow requested that the opponents of the bill be brief in their testimony.

PROPOSERS

Dave Lewis, director of the Department of Social and Rehabilitative Services (SRS), discussed the Legislative Audit review (EXHIBIT 5) and the difference the department and the auditor had concerning the percentage of out-of-state residents moving into Montana to receive GA. He said this information is not relevant because they are not proposing a residency requirement in the bill.

Lee Tickell (53:B:471), deputy administrator of the Economic Assistance Division of SRS, briefly discussed the major sections of HB 843.

OPPOSERS

Dale Stroschein, a recipient and a member of the Concerned Citizen's Coalition in Butte, spoke from his written testimony (EXHIBIT 6).

Sister Kathleen O'Sullivan (54:A:003), from the Butte Community Union, spoke about the people who are shunned by other people because they are poor. She submitted her written testimony (EXHIBIT 7).

James Dor Johnson said an apology is deserved because of the wrong statistics quoted in regard to out-of-state people coming in Montana to receive GA. He also said this

proposal to cut all people under 50 years of age is unconstitutional.

Lula Martinez, from the Butte Community Union, spoke from her written testimony (EXHIBIT 8).

Don Robertson said he questioned the morality of cutting off people 50 years of age and under to save several million dollars. He said this would cause many people to be out on the streets looking for the same jobs. He said he opposed the 50 years of age and under cut. He submitted his written statement (EXHIBIT 9).

Lois Durand, a member of the Butte Community Union and the Montana Low-Income Coalition, appealed to the committee not to cut people off of GA. She encouraged the committee to do a study of GA recipients and the whole program from now until the next session to determine basic need levels.

Hawk Lindberg, president of the Montana Concerned Citizen's Coalition, read a letter in opposition to HB 843 and gave a set of letters from people opposing HB 843 (EXHIBIT 10).

Judy Carlson, representing the National Association of Social Workers in Montana, spoke in opposition of HB 843 and in support of Priorities for People, which includes keeping GA at current level. She presented a summary of her testimony (EXHIBIT 11).

Steve Shugrue, a former Montana Senator, discussed the issue of food and rent, and what is going to be done about them. He said everyone's cars, houses, and gardens will be ripped off because these people will try to get money any way they can.

Cathy Campbell spoke from her prepared testimony (EXHIBIT 12).

John Ortwein spoke about people trying to sell their homes in the eastern part of Montana, and said if this bill goes into effect, it is going to cause a great deal of difficulty for people caught where there is nowhere to go.

Lushea Wassberg, from the Butte Community Union, an AFDC recipient and a former GA recipient, asked the committee to oppose this bill.

Richard Carle, from Butte, spoke about the situation that is all over the state in regard to the limited number of jobs.

Dan Rubik, with the Butte Community Union, said he would rather work at a job instead of fighting for bills.

Jim Smith, with the Human Resource Development Councils, said the bill is wrong and should not get out of this committee and should not leave this room. He said the whole issue of out-of-state residents coming to Montana for GA has prejudiced public opinion. He said he knows from first-hand experience that people want to work and he also said there are many employers that look for those people on workfare that come from everywhere.

Bruce Rudd said that he has been all over the state looking for work and has done all kinds of work.

There were no further opponents and proponents present. Chairman Winslow opened up the hearing to members of the committee to ask questions.

Senator Manning asked Dave Lewis what the dollar figure difference would be with the bill that now exists and the bill with those people 50 years of age and under cut out of it; it is approximately \$5 million.

Representative Rehberg asked Scott Seacat from the Office of the Legislative Auditor what the definitions other states have for 'incapacitated' and 'emergency needs'.

Lee Tickell addressed Representative Rehberg's question. He said they do not have the various plans the other states have.

Senator Christiaens asked Lee Tickell if the bill has set the eligibility requirements at 47 percent of the poverty level.

Representative Bradley said there can be no residency requirement inserted, but there has been discussion on postponing on receiving assistance, or even having off and on months. She asked about the 13.3 percent as being out-of-state recipients on page one of the audit review, and on page three, showing three-fourths county recipients.

Chairman Winslow asked Lee Tickell if under the Butte Community Union court case, the appropriations level made any difference, or if there was an obligation to pay no matter what the appropriation is.

Lee Tickell said that the court case did not address the issue of the constitutionality of whether or not the AFDC payment level as established by the legislature did meet need. He said he never thought that the court did not

address the issue of the two constitutional mandates for living within appropriation and the constitutional requirement to meet needs for those who need it.

Chairman Winslow asked if there will be decrease in payments if the legislature appropriated a certain amount, which will make the department live within that in case of increasing rolls of people on GA.

Chairman Winslow also asked if an appropriation was given to the department and the caseload increased, would the department be forced to make adjustments down.

Chairman Winslow asked the department's legal counsel to address this issue.

Russell Cater, chief legal counsel for the Office of Legal Affairs of SRS, discussed the Butte court case, decency and health, and the statutes in that court case.

Chairman Winslow addressed the issue of the growing numbers of young people receiving GA, and what is to be done about this growing number, and is there a way that the workfare programs can help do something about that younger population.

Dave Lewis said that the problem is the loss of jobs in the private sector.

Chairman Winslow asked Judy Carlson if she recognizes that somewhere they are going to have to make adjustments because of all the Priorities for People needs, along with the \$9 million shortfall, together with the limited amount of money. He asked her where do they take this money from.

Judy Carlson said she does understand this problem. She said she refuses to accept that this is the committee's finite budget and that there are loopholes to bring in additional funds. She mentioned channeling those additional funds into work programs, which is serving the same people with what they want; work.

Senator Christiaens (54:B:216) asked Russell Cater to comment on Article 13 of the constitution and the fact of no due process.

At this point, the subcommittee adjourned until 7:00 p.m. which they will then resume their hearing in Room 108 of the State Capitol.

E X E C U T I V E A C T I O N

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICES

Medical Assistance Program (EXHIBIT 13)

Representative Rehberg (55:A:001) made a motion to accept the LFA current level of 20.99 FTE in FY86 and 20.99 FTE in FY87.

The motion PASSED.

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the LFA current level for personal services of \$622,809 in FY86 and \$623,847 in FY87.

Senator Manning made a substitute motion to add to the original motion the consideration taken for the difference in personal services of 2.5 physician positions.

The substitute motion PASSED.

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the LFA current level for operating expenses of \$1,964,948 in FY86 and \$2,060,413 in FY87.

The motion PASSED.

Senator Manning made a motion to accept Issue #1, which is an additional \$24,519 for an accounting transfer in both FY86 and FY87, and an additional \$8,000 for medical contracts for medical review during FY86.

The motion PASSED.

Senator Manning made a motion to accept Issue #2, which is an additional \$5,000 for travel.

The motion PASSED.

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept Issue #3, which is an additional \$4,937 for rent.

The motion PASSED.

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the executive request for equipment of \$230 in FY86 and \$230 in FY87.

The motion PASSED.

DHES Survey

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the totals of \$133,465 in FY86 and \$133,744 in FY87 for supporting certification review of Medicaid facilities.

The motion PASSED.

Indian Health

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the Indian Health funding of \$1,577,486 in FY86 and \$1,577,486 in FY87.

The motion PASSED.

Medicare Buy-In

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the executive request for Medicare buy-in of \$1,499,040 in FY86 and \$1,745,280 in FY87.

The motion PASSED.

State Medical

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the LFA current level for state medical funding of \$3,537,246 in FY86 and \$3,855,717 in FY87.

There was discussion on the projection of caseload growth and the percentage for that growth.

Representative Bradley made a substitute motion to accept a figure halfway between the LFA and executive budgets.

ROLL CALL VOTE

A request for a Roll Call Vote was made (55:A:239). The substitute motion FAILED.

The original motion PASSED.

Medicaid-Institutions

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the LFA current level for Medicaid institutions of \$13,688,363 in FY86 and \$14,085,559 in FY87.

The motion PASSED.

Medicaid-Nursing Homes

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the LFA current level for Medicaid nursing homes of \$42,636,691 in FY86 and \$44,067,623 in FY87. The motion is to include that the figure between the analysts's office and the department would be adjusted to the rate that they have worked together for. The motion accepts the LFA projected nursing home days, but payment is based on the executive's rate proposal.

The motion PASSED.

Jack Ellery gave everyone some language (EXHIBIT 14) the department has worked out regarding the number of nursing home days.

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the above language.

The motion PASSED.

Medicaid Other-AFDC (EXHIBIT 15)

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the LFA current level for Medicaid other funding of \$25,635,676 in FY86 and \$26,892,302 in FY87.

There was discussion regarding the fact that the department is not relieved of their obligation attempting to contain costs within the appropriated levels, and that the committee was in no sense attempting to obligate any future legislature in costs.

The motion PASSED.

Medicaid Other-SSI (EXHIBIT 16)

There was discussion on the different numbers with the various inflation factors.

The committee decided to postpone taking action on this issue until they see a scenario with the average caseload of 10,700, together with inflation factors of 4 percent in 1984, 1985, and 1986.

Medicaid Waiver

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the executive request for Medicaid waiver funding of \$1,196,357 in FY86 and \$1,238,807 in FY87.

The motion PASSED.

DEFRA

Senator Manning made a motion to accept the executive request of \$2,053,004 in FY86 and \$1,284,720 (which is the original amount cut in half) in FY87, and also to establish a contingency fund restricted to costs that can be attributable to DEFRA, and that this will be a continuing contingency fund that will be set up in FY86, along with a federal appropriation to match that.

The motion PASSED.

Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS)

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the modified level request for MMIS funding of \$1,200,000 in FY86 and that this be a continuing appropriation.

The motion PASSED.

Home & Community Based Services

Discussion followed concerning who is eligible to receive these services.

Representative Rehberg made a motion to accept the modified request level of 200 home and community based slots over the biennium, and the FTE's adjusted accordingly. The motion is a request to take the amount of \$850,000 and bring back what impact that would be, and the appropriate adjustments made in the FTE, grants, and the funding between the two budgets.

Medicaid Cost Containment Pilots

Discussion followed concerning not recommending this program, but fund the Acute Care Reimbursement Program.

Acute Care Reimbursement Program

Senator Manning (55:B:262) made a motion to accept the funding for acute care reimbursement program of \$99,664 in FY86 and \$96,544 in FY87.

The motion PASSED.

There was discussion regarding the action taken by the subcommittee earlier today on the eligibility technicians. The department said they need the full 12 FTE's instead of the 10 FTE's that the committee voted upon; it would average to at least one FTE per county. The department gave everyone a handout showing the amounts for the FTE's that SRS requested, what the subcommittee approved, and showing 1 FTE per county (EXHIBIT 17).

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Representative Rehberg made a motion to reconsider the action the subcommittee took regarding eligibility technicians.

The motion PASSED.

Senator Manning made a motion to accept the 1 FTE per county for eligibility technicians; 6 FTE's in FY86 and 12 FTE's in FY87.

The motion PASSED.

ACTION ON HOUSE BILL NO. 615

Chairman Winslow asked Wade Wilkison, from the Low Income Senior Citizen's Coalition, to address the differences between the Medicaid waiver program and in-home health care services.

Representative Rehberg recommended that the subcommittee consider using some of the social security tax revenue and earmarking it, to the in-home care services.

Representative Rehberg made a motion that HB 615 DO PASS at a level of \$250,000 instead of the original \$450,000 requested. He said if this goal cannot be accomplished of funding it at the lower level, then he withdraws his support.

Senator Story said he thinks this program is a good idea.

Senator Manning made a motion that the committee adopt the amendment Representative Menahan submitted when the bill was heard before the committee.

The motion PASSED.

The motion PASSED on HB 615.as amended.

Representative Bradley (56:A:005) said the committee has to clarify the situation of social workers as Medicaid providers and wanted to know what the department things should be done about this. She read some language that she worked out for this issue: 'It is the intent of the committee for SRS to include licensed social workers as optional Medicaid providers of mental health services by July 1, 1985.' She intends this to be optional and not mandatory.

Jack Ellery said the department would have increased utilization because of more referrals for that type of service.

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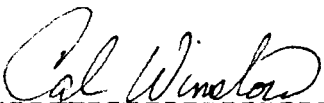
Chairman Winslow asked if it would be appropriate to put the intent of the committee, along with the wording, in the minutes.

Representative Bradley said it would be appropriate.

Representative Bradley made a motion to adopt this language and include it in the minutes.

The motion PASSED.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 a.m.



CAL WINSLOW, Chairman

DAILY ROLL CALL

Human Services Subcommittee

49th LEGISLATIVE SESSION -- 1985

Date 2-20-85

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ROLL CALL VOTE

HOUSE COMMITTEE Human Services Subcommittee

DATE February 20, 1985

BILL NO.

TIME 7:25 p.m.

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Colleen Johnson
Secretary

Secretary
Colleen Johnson

Cal Winston

Chairman
Cal Winslow

Motion: A substitute motion to accept a figure halfway

between the LFA and executive budgets for state medical funding.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICES
Eligibility Determination

<u>PERSONAL SERVICES</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>
Executive FTE	318.61	318.61
LFA Current Level	<u>318.61</u>	<u>318.61</u>
Difference	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Executive	\$6,442,499	\$6,453,266
LFA Current Level	<u>6,443,111</u>	<u>6,454,195</u>
Difference	\$ (612)	\$ (929)

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1. Differences are due to the calculation of vacancy savings.

2. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Personal Services

<u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u>	<u>1986</u>			<u>1987</u>		
	<u>Base</u>	<u>Inflation</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Base</u>	<u>Inflation</u>	<u>Total</u>
Executive	\$108,241	\$ 2,636	\$110,877	\$108,241	\$ 2,636	\$110,877
LFA Current Level	<u>108,493</u>	<u>5,703</u>	<u>114,196</u>	<u>108,493</u>	<u>9,286</u>	<u>117,779</u>
Difference	<u>\$ (252)</u>	<u>\$ (3,067)</u>	<u>\$ (3,319)</u>	<u>\$ (252)</u>	<u>\$ (6,650)</u>	<u>\$ (6,902)</u>

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1. Principal difference is in inflation.

2. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Personal Services

MODIFIED LEVEL

Additional 54 Eligibility Technicians

The Eligibility Determination Program is requesting an additional 36 FTE in the 1987 biennium to correspond with an increase in caseload and activity. This modification proposes 18 FTE in fiscal 1986 and 36 FTE in fiscal 1987 to meet this need. The original executive request included additions of 18 Full positions each year of the biennium for a cost of \$325,357 (\$97,607 general fund) in fiscal 1986 and \$650,976 (\$195,293 general fund) in fiscal 1987. The department has modified the request to phase in the positions during both years of the biennium according to the following schedule.

Eligibility Technician

<u>Issue No. 1</u>	<u>- - - - Fiscal 1986 - - - -</u>		<u>- - - - Fiscal 1987 - - - -</u>	
	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>
Budget Modification				
- 10 & 20 FTE--State Assumed	\$63,461	\$ 49,862	\$161,105	\$126,582
- 8 & 16 FTE--Non-Assumed	<u>-0-</u>	<u>151,059</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>302,239</u>
Total Modification	<u>\$63,461</u>	<u>\$200,921</u>	<u>\$161,105</u>	<u>\$428,821</u>

<u>Issue No. 2</u>	<u>- - - - Fiscal 1986 - - - -</u>		<u>- - - - Fiscal 1987 - - - -</u>	
	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>
Optimum Staff				
Non-Assumed (29.85 FTE				
in FY 86, 21.85 in FY 87)	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$518,810</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$381,027</u>

Issue No. 3

- - - - Fiscal 1986 - - - - - - - - Fiscal 1987 - - - -
General Fund Other Funds General Fund Other Funds

Existing Staff

LIEAP (19 FTE)	\$ -0-	FTE only	\$ -0-	FTE only
Medical Doctors (2.5 FTE)	-0-	FTE only	-0-	FTE only
Food Stamp Issuance (4.0 FTE)*	<u>-0-</u>	<u>\$ 68,925</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>\$ 70,303</u>
Total 2.5 FTE	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 68,925</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 70,303</u>

*This amount is currently being expended by counties, but the cost is not included in SRS expenditures.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICES

Developmental Disabilities Planning and Advisory Council

<u>PERSONAL SERVICES</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>
Executive FTE	2.0	2.0
LFA Current Level FTE	<u>2.0</u>	<u>2.0</u>
Difference	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>
Executive	\$46,789	\$47,043
LFA Current Level	<u>46,790</u>	<u>47,052</u>
Difference	<u>\$ (1)</u>	<u>\$ (9)</u>

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1. The difference between the LFA and the executive is in the calculation of vacancy savings.

2. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Personal Services

<u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u>	<u>1986</u>			<u>1987</u>		
	<u>Base</u>	<u>Inflation</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Base</u>	<u>Inflation</u>	<u>Total</u>
Executive	\$57,183	\$1,028	\$58,211	\$56,717	\$1,240	\$57,957
LFA Current Level	<u>32,687</u>	<u>1,539</u>	<u>34,226</u>	<u>32,687</u>	<u>2,626</u>	<u>35,313</u>
Difference	<u>\$24,496</u>	<u>\$ (511)</u>	<u>\$23,985</u>	<u>\$24,030</u>	<u>\$(1,386)</u>	<u>\$22,644</u>

1. In October 1984, the council was awarded an additional \$50,000 each year of the biennium. Of this total, 35 percent is used for administration and 65 percent for grants. The difference between the LFA and the executive reflects this increased grant award.

2. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Personal Services

GRANTS

1986

1987

Executive
LFA Current Level

— \$195,000

— \$195,000

166,277

164,544

Difference

\$ 28,723

\$ 30,456

----- Grants Issues -----

1. The difference between the LFA and the executive reflects the increased grant award.

2. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Grants

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICES

Developmental Disabilities

<u>PERSONAL SERVICES</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>
Executive FTE	30.25	30.25
LFA Current Level FTE	<u>30.25</u>	<u>30.25</u>
Difference	<u><u>0.00</u></u>	<u><u>0.00</u></u>
Executive	\$804,779	\$806,773
LFA Current Level	<u>805,376</u>	<u>807,431</u>
Difference	<u><u>\$ 597</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 658</u></u>

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1. Differences in personal services are due to vacancy savings.
2. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Personal Services

<u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u>	<u>- - - - - 1986 - - - - -</u>			<u>- - - - - 1987 - - - - -</u>		
	<u>Base</u>	<u>Inflation</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Base</u>	<u>Inflation</u>	<u>Total</u>
Executive	\$254,469	\$10,995	\$265,464	\$244,674	\$13,108	\$257,787
LFA Current Level	<u>234,747</u>	<u>9,312</u>	<u>244,059</u>	<u>230,665</u>	<u>17,302</u>	<u>247,967</u>
Difference	<u><u>\$ 19,722</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,683</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 21,405</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 14,009</u></u>	<u><u>\$(4,194)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 9,800</u></u>

- - - - - Operating Expenses Issues - - - - -

1. The executive includes \$17,582 more in contracted services for fiscal 1986 and \$9,307 in fiscal 1987. This difference is primarily due to the additional costs associated with the adoption and implementation of new standards for the community based services.

2. The executive includes an additional \$2,140 in repair and maintenance. These costs are associated with office and data processing equipment.

3. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Operating Expenses

<u>EQUIPMENT</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>
Executive	\$1,750	\$ -0-
LFA Current Level	<u>750</u>	<u>-0-</u>
Difference	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>

- - - - - Equipment Issues - - - - -

1. The LFA only included funds to purchase computer software. The executive also funded \$1,000 in miscellaneous office equipment.

2. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Equipment

<u>BENEFITS</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>
Executive	\$14,845,028	\$15,434,116
LFA Current Level	<u>14,253,667</u>	<u>14,966,352</u>
Difference	<u>\$ 591,361</u>	<u>\$ 476,926</u>

1. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Benefits

Modified Requests

Specialized Foster Care and Special Needs

This modification has two functions: 1) specialized foster care is continued at a level of \$169,000 in fiscal 1986 and \$175,760 in fiscal 1987, continuing a funding switch from general fund to federal funds begun by budget amendment in fiscal 1984; 2) the remaining funds of \$40,789 in fiscal 1986 and \$42,420 in fiscal 1987 will allow the department to address the special needs of clients with intensive problems requiring innovative training procedures within a variety of settings.

	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>
Grants and Benefits	<u>\$209,789</u>	<u>\$218,180</u>
Public Welfare - Grants	<u>\$209,789</u>	<u>\$218,180</u>

1. Committee Issues

Committee Action

Montana Conference on Developmental Disabilities (MCDD)

This conference has been held yearly since 1980. During the 1983 legislative session it was overlooked. Funds are requested to return these expenses to current level. The conference is funded from donations and registration fees.

	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>
Grants and Benefits	<u>\$14,338</u>	<u>\$16,605</u>
Third Party Revenue	<u>\$14,338</u>	<u>\$16,605</u>

1. Committee Issues

Committee Action

FUNDING — 909

General Fund	\$142,283	\$ 636,246
Public Welfare	122,283	142,997
Public Welfare - Grants	<u>-0-</u>	<u>922,703</u>
Total	<u>\$264,566</u>	<u>\$1,701,946</u>

1. Committee Issues

Committee Action

Reduction in Developmental Disabilities Waiting List

Funds are requested to remove 285 developmentally disabled adults from the waiting list for community based services, and to convert \$2.6 million of existing state funded services to the maximum allowable under the federal medicaid waiver.

	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>
FTE	2.0	2.0
Personal Services	\$ 48,165	\$ 48,186
Supplies and Materials	320	320
Communications	1,315	1,407
Travel	1,640	1,640
Rent	2,754	2,754
Cther Expenses	680	340
Payments to Group Homes	<u>733,003</u>	<u>2,109,640</u>
Total	<u>\$787,877</u>	<u>\$2,164,287</u>

FUNDING

General Fund	\$ (529,997)	\$ 770,840
Public Welfare	54,874	54,647
Public Welfare - Grants	<u>1,263,000</u>	<u>1,338,800</u>
Total	<u>\$ 787,877</u>	<u>\$2,164,287</u>

1. Committee Issues

Committee Action

Exhibit 4
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Developmental Disabilities

	FY 85	Slots	Fiscal 1986	Slots	Fiscal 1987	Executive	4.5%	4.5%
	Base		Executive		Executive			
Adult Group Home	\$ 2,445,151	408	\$ 2,707,732	408	\$ 2,816,042	\$ 2,816,042	\$ 2,816,042	\$ 2,816,042
Intensive Group Home	1,072,488	70	1,326,203	70	1,371,251	1,371,251	1,371,251	1,371,251
Child Group Home	1,000,643	57	1,061,276	57	1,103,727	1,103,727	1,103,727	1,103,727
Semi-Independent	771,356	232	803,446	232	835,584	835,584	835,584	835,584
Day Service	5,868,655	1,122	5,970,196	1,122	6,209,004	6,209,004	6,209,004	6,209,004
Specialized Family	237,500	30	416,000	30	432,640	432,640	432,640	432,640
Family Training	1,046,436	408	1,150,042	408	1,196,044	1,196,044	1,196,044	1,196,044
Respite	253,184	467	244,733	467	254,522	254,522	254,522	254,522
Vocational Placement	32,290	26	84,110	26	87,474	87,474	87,474	87,474
Evaluation & Diag.	447,347	286	353,674	286	367,821	367,821	367,821	367,821
Adaptive Equipment	66,560	250	70,305	246	73,117	73,117	73,117	73,117
Transportation	841,886	1,055	661,749	1,055	696,218	696,218	696,218	696,218
Program Transfer	190,837		-0-		-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Sub Total	\$14,274,333		\$14,849,446		\$15,443,444	\$15,443,444	\$15,443,444	\$15,443,444
Budget Amendment	201,720	18	209,789		218,180	218,180	218,180	218,180
Total	\$14,476,053		\$15,059,235		\$15,661,624	\$15,661,624	\$15,661,624	\$15,661,624

Exhibit 5
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February 19, 1985

Representative Francis Bardanoue
Chairman, House Appropriations Committee

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Chairman, Joint Subcommittee On Human Services

Members
Joint Subcommittee on Human Services

As requested by Representative Bardanoue, we have performed an analysis of general assistance programs for a sample of ten Montana counties. The attached information summarizes the results of our analysis. Please feel free to contact us if we may be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Scott A. Seacat".
Scott A. Seacat
Deputy Legislative Auditor

Reviewed and approved:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Robert R. Ringwood".
Robert R. Ringwood
Legislative Auditor

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Attachment

OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR
LEGISLATIVE REQUEST
ANALYSIS OF SAMPLED GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

SAMPLE SELECTION

Ten counties were selected for review. Counties were selected based upon subcommittee interest and based upon Legislative Audit staff already being available or in close proximity to the county at the time of the legislative request.

General assistance files were reviewed in each county sampled for all January 1985 general assistance recipients. A total of 1,857 general assistance files were reviewed as shown in Illustration 1.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE COUNTY SAMPLE
JANUARY 1985 SAMPLE RECIPIENTS

<u>County</u>	<u># of Sample Recipient Files Reviewed</u>
Cascade	417
Lewis and Clark	292
Broadwater	7
Missoula	369
Ravalli	33
Silver Bow	464
Deer Lodge	146
Gallatin	16
Yellowstone	45
Flathead	68
Total	<u>1,857</u>

Source: Compiled by the Office of the Legislative Auditor

Illustration 1

RECIPIENT STATE RESIDENCY

For the ten counties reviewed, the overall percentage of January 1985 recipients who we categorized as out-of-state recipients was 13.3 percent. Statewide and individual county information is shown in the following illustrations.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE COUNTY SAMPLE
STATE RESIDENCY

<u>Out of State?</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Yes	247	13.301
No	1,531	82.445
Could not determine ¹	79	4.254
Total	1,857	100.000

¹Sufficient information was not available to determine residency.

Source: Compiled by the Office of the Legislative Auditor

Illustration 2

GENERAL ASSISTANCE COUNTY SAMPLE
STATE RESIDENCY BY COUNTY COMPARISON

<u>County</u>	<u>Out-of-State Percentage</u>		
	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Not Available</u>
Cascade	9.35	90.65	0.00
Lewis and Clark	26.03	62.67	11.30
Broadwater	14.29	85.71	0.00
Missoula	17.34	78.59	4.07
Ravalli	9.09	81.82	9.09
Silver Bow	7.33	91.81	0.86
Deer Lodge	10.96	87.67	1.37
Gallatin	62.50 ¹	37.50	0.00
Yellowstone	8.89 ²	86.67	4.44 ²
Flathead	0.00 ²	70.59	29.41 ²
Overall Weighted Average	13.30	82.44	4.25

¹Gallatin had only 16 cases and 6 of these received \$10.26 for gasoline.

²Sufficient information was not available to document residency.

Source: Compiled by the Office of the Legislative Auditor.

Illustration 3

AGE AND SEX OF JANUARY 1985 SAMPLED RECIPIENTSGENERAL ASSISTANCE COUNTY SAMPLE
FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTION FOR AGE

<u>Age Category</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Cumulative Percent</u>
18 to 29	761	40.980	41.142
30 to 39	446	24.017	64.997
40 to 49	326	17.555	82.553
50 or older	302	16.263	98.815
Not available	22	1.185	100.000

Source: Compiled by the Office of the Legislative Auditor

Illustration 4

GENERAL ASSISTANCE COUNTY SAMPLE
SEX OF JANUARY 1985 RECIPIENTS

<u>Sex</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Percent</u>
F	415	22.348
M	1,442	77.652

Source: Compiled by the Office of the Legislative Auditor

Illustration 5

COUNTY RESIDENCY

Approximately three-fourths of the January 1985 general assistance recipients that we sampled had lived in the county over one year.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE COUNTY SAMPLE
FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTION FOR COUNTY RESIDENCY
 JANUARY 1985 RECIPIENTS

<u>Length of County Residency</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Cumulative Percent</u>
Less than one month	59	3.177	3.177
One up to three months	117	6.300	9.478
Three up to six months	92	4.954	14.432
Six to twelve months	176	9.478	23.910
Over one year	1,386	74.637	98.546
Not available	27	1.454	100.000

Source: Compiled by the Office of the Legislative Auditor

Illustration 6

GENERAL ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS - JANUARY 1985

The overall weighted average general assistance payment for the January 1985 cases we reviewed was \$203.50. The following illustration details the average January payment for each county sampled.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE COUNTY SAMPLE
AVERAGE GENERAL ASSISTANCE PAYMENT
 JANUARY 1985 SAMPLED PAYMENTS

<u>County</u>	<u># of Payments</u>	<u>Average January Payment</u>
Cascade	417	\$168.40
Lewis and Clark	292	220.05
Broadwater	7	249.71
Missoula	369	212.31
Ravalli	33	217.11
Silver Bow	464	213.09
Deer Lodge	146	226.62
Gallatin	16	281.27
Yellowstone	45	133.26
Flathead	68	201.51
Total	1,857	\$203.50 overall average

¹ Gallatin County average is skewed upward because one of the 16 recipients received a \$3,700 payment for past due house payments.

Source: Compiled by the Office of the Legislative Auditor

Illustration 7

The majority of the general assistance payments were for a combination of purposes such as utilities and rent, etc.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE COUNTY SAMPLE
PURPOSE OF GENERAL ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS
JANUARY 1985 SAMPLED PAYMENTS

<u>Funds Used for What Purpose</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Cumulative Percent</u>
Food	12	0.646	0.646
Utilities	5	0.269	1.915
Rent	121	6.516	7.431
Transportation	16	0.862	8.293
Personal Needs	33	1.777	10.070
Combination	1,505	81.045	91.115
Other	14	0.754	91.869
Not Available	151	8.131	100.000
Total	1,857	100.000	

Source: Compiled by the Office of the Legislative Auditor

Illustration 8

For the January 1985 recipients we reviewed, the majority had been receiving general assistance for less than six months.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE COUNTY SAMPLE
DURATION OF GENERAL ASSISTANCE
JANUARY 1985 SAMPLED RECIPIENTS

<u>How Long on General Assistance</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Cumulative Percent</u>
Less than one month	340	18.309	18.309
One up to three months	520	28.002	46.311
Three up to six months	327	17.609	63.920
Six to twelve months	320	17.232	81.152
Over one year	339	18.255	99.408
Not available	11	0.592	100.000
Total	1,857	99.999	

Source: Compiled by the Office of the Legislative Auditor

Illustration 9

WORKFARE EXEMPTION OR DISABILITY

Our analysis included a review to determine the percentage of January 1985 sampled recipients that were categorized as either workfare exempt or disabled. Since some recipients could be considered workfare exempt and disabled, while other recipients could be workfare exempt but not disabled, the categories were combined for the analysis. (Note: Recipients were not double-counted if they were workfare exempt and disabled.)

GENERAL ASSISTANCE COUNTY SAMPLE
ANALYSIS OF WORKFARE EXEMPTION/DISABLED
 JANUARY 1985 SAMPLED RECIPIENTS

<u>Workfare Exempt or Disabled</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Yes	428	23.048
No	1,405	75.660
Not Available	24	1.292
Total	1,857	100.000

Source: Compiled by the Office of the Legislative Auditor

Illustration 10

We noted that workfare exempt/disabled percentages varied from county to county as can be seen in the following illustration.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE COUNTY SAMPLE
COUNTY COMPARISON
PERCENT WORKFARE EXEMPT OR DISABLED

<u>County</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Not Available</u>
Cascade	27.58	72.42	0.00
Lewis and Clark	29.45	69.18	1.37
Broadwater	42.86	57.14	0.00
Missoula	29.54	68.02	2.44
Ravalli	54.55	42.42	3.03
Silver Bow	3.02	95.91	1.08
Deer Lodge	19.18	80.82	0.00
Gallatin	81.25	18.75	0.00
Yellowstone	64.44	33.33	2.22
Flathead	19.12	75.00	5.88
Overall Weighted Average	23.05	75.66	1.29

Source: Compiled by the Office of the Legislative Auditor

Illustration 11

OTHER STATES

We were also requested to contact other states surrounding Montana to obtain information concerning "general assistance" in those states. The following chart summarizes the information.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE COUNTY SAMPLE
GENERAL ASSISTANCE SURVEY

<u>State</u>	<u>Program Administered By: State/County</u>	<u>Payment Limitations</u>	<u>Residency Requirements</u>	<u>Special Requirements</u>
Washington	State	\$304-1 person \$385-2 persons	Identifiable residence	To adults incapacitated for 60 days or more
Idaho	County	Varies ¹	None	Emergency needs only
South Dakota	County (2 - counties)	Varies ¹	None	Emergency needs only
North Dakota	County	Varies ¹	None	Varies ¹
Colorado	County (43 of 63 counties)	Varies ¹	Resident of county	Emergency needs to families eligible for AFDC
Oregon	State	\$223-1 person \$294-2 persons	Identifiable residence	Adults incapacitated for 60 days or more
Utah	State	AFDC Standard	Identifiable residence	Incapacitated/unemploy- able adults
Wyoming	State	\$145-1 person \$285-2 persons	None	Assistance maximum of 120 days in any 12 month period Transients limited to mileage to first city out of state

¹ Depends upon county

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Illustration 12

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AVAILABLE

At the request of the Joint Subcommittee Chairman, we compiled a number of cross-tabulations between variables. For example, information is available to compare age category percentages with whether or not a recipient is workfare exempt/disabled as shown in the illustration below.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE COUNTY SAMPLE
COMPARISON OF AGE CATEGORY BY WORKFARE EXEMPTION
 JANUARY 1985 SAMPLED RECIPIENTS

<u>Age Category</u>	<u>Percent Workfare Exempt or Disabled</u>		
	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Not Available</u>
18 to 29	19.45%	79.76%	0.79%
30 to 39	19.73%	78.92%	1.35%
40 to 49	25.77%	73.31%	0.92%
50 or older	35.10%	63.25%	1.66%
Overall Weighted Average			
Percent	23.05%	75.66%	1.29%

Source: Compiled by the Office of the Legislative Auditor

Illustration 13

We will be glad to provide additional cross-tabulations to subcommittee members and other legislators upon request.

(This sheet to be used by those testifying on a bill.)

Exhibit 6

2-20-85

HB 843

Stroschein

NAME: Dale Stroschein DATE: 20 FEB 85

ADDRESS: 402 1/2 2nd AVE So #34

PHONE: GREAT FALLS MONT

REPRESENTING WHOM? CCC

APPEARING ON WHICH PROPOSAL: _____

DO YOU: SUPPORT? _____ AMEND? _____ OPPOSE? X

COMMENT: We cant find jobs so you
are thinking of taking the only way
we have to live until things get
better.

So I think you should think
this over.

How about the people that rent
as the money they will be without
to pay bills.

PLEASE LEAVE ANY PREPARED STATEMENTS WITH THE COMMITTEE SECRETARY.

(This sheet to be used by those testifying on a bill.)

Exhibit 7
2-20-85
HB 843
O'Sullivan

NAME: Mr. Kathleen O'Sullivan DATE: 2/20/85

ADDRESS: 821 E. First

PHONE: 723-3994

REPRESENTING WHOM? Butte Community

APPEARING ON WHICH PROPOSAL: Cutting G.A. Benefits

DO YOU: SUPPORT? AMEND? OPPOSE? ✓

COMMENT: We tend to keep persons who are "different"
at a distance from us. i.e. we protect ourselves from apparent "crusades."
We are all infected with the myths regarding
the poor and this influences our decisions, attitudes
In our society we tend to blame the victim
for his/her situation
If we are to have a humane society, ^{the larger community} we
may not legitimately exclude or abandon anyone.
Each of us has the economic right to the
absolute minimum to protect human life: food, clothing,
shelter, rest, medical care; security in case of sickness, inability to work,
old age, widowhood, unemployment.
The funds can be found if there is the will
to find them - even to asking/requiring the sharing of
personal ~~surplus~~ superfluities to supply the necessities of others.
PLEASE LEAVE ANY PREPARED STATEMENTS WITH THE COMMITTEE SECRETARY.

(This sheet to be used by those testifying on a bill.)

Exhibit 8

2-20-85

HB 843

Martinez

NAME: Lula Martinez DATE: 2-20-85

ADDRESS: 128 1/2 N Idaho

PHONE: 372-5518

REPRESENTING WHOM? Butte Community

APPEARING ON WHICH PROPOSAL: Citty G.A. Benefits

DO YOU: SUPPORT? AMEND? OPPOSE? ✓

COMMENT: The other day as I was waiting
outside of another room too - testifying on
a G.A. I heard 2 men talking in the
hall. one was saying. We God have all
these people come to beg. My response
to this is (yes) if that is what it
takes for our brothers and sisters to have
the means of survival then I on this before
I would beg. Let us can think differently
about our brothers and sisters and not Stone
types as we being glad to be on G.A. we will
never be able to communicate in a
subduing - Lula Martinez

PLEASE LEAVE ANY PREPARED STATEMENTS WITH THE COMMITTEE SECRETARY.

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Exhibit 9
2-20-85
HB 843
Robertson

14, February, 1985

The Committee on Human Resources
Montana State Legislature
Helena Montana

Dear committee members,

I have had the privilege of giving my testimony to you at an earlier meeting. I am still for continuing the General Assistance Program. This program is worth the funds needed to stay effective. The city, county, and community all benefit by the G. A. work program.

I also feel that if you were to look at the statistics reports that are prepared by the Management Information, Centralized Services Division, you the actual increase in G. A. cases, as opposed to previous reports from past records.

I ask you now, to please hold off on voting to cut the General Assistance Program. The individual payments issued to G. A. people provide them with the money to have their home and be able to do work for the community. For what we receive, we are thankful. Thank you.

Respectfully,



Donald Robertson

(This sheet to be used by those testifying on a bill.)

NAME: Donald Robertson DATE: 20 Feb 8

ADDRESS: 1021 1/2 1st Ave South

PHONE: No Phone

REPRESENTING WHOM? _____

APPEARING ON WHICH PROPOSAL: HB-843

DO YOU: SUPPORT? _____ AMEND? _____ OPPOSE? X

COMMENT: There is a question on the morality
on whether it can be justifiable to
cut off G.A. at a time when employment
in this state is at a slow increase if
any.

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Exhibit 10
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HB 843
Lindberg

I oppose the bill to cut G.A.
eligibility. G.A. is a much needed
program which provides people with basic
subsistence. G.A. recipients work off these
benefits on the workfare program.

Cutting people off G.A. would be disastrous,
immoral and unconstitutional, and I, with
the Concerned Citizens Coalition, oppose
all attempts to do so.

A K Anderson Jr.

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I oppose the bill to cut General Assistance eligibility. GA is a much-needed program which provides people with basic subsistence. GA recipients work off these benefits on the workfare program.

Cutting people off GA would be disastrous, immoral and unconstitutional, and I, with the Concerned Citizens' Coalition, oppose all attempts to do so.

Barbara Anderson

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February 19, 1985

Dear Committee Members:

I oppose HB 843 which would cut able-bodied people under 50 from General Assistance. I receive G.A. and work off my benefits on the workfare program-- if this program is cut, I will no longer have a job, and will have no money for food, rent, and living expenses. I urge you to continue to fund the G.A. program.

We need jobs or workfare!

MICHAEL BOOTH
#37-402 1/2 2ND AVE So
GREAT FALLS MT
59405

Michael Booth

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Walter Butler
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200 S. 1st

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Edward J. Commo

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Mike Flaherty
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TESTIMONY ON HB 843
February 20, 1985

Exhibit 11
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HB 843
Carlson

NOTES

Speaking against HB 843 and for Priorities for People. Include GA as "current level" -

Problems leading to increase in caseload on GA:

- underlying unemployment - does not show in unemployment figures. People get tired of reporting in with Job Service - discouraged. Job Service underestimates. People want to work.
- people come into the Welfare Office looking for work - workfare. Only way they can get job is to apply for general assistance.
- federal govt has tightened SSI requirements so fewer borderline disabled folks are getting on SSI - come into GA program.
- some deinstitutionalization fall-out - folks that come in and out of mental health facilities and programs - can't hold jobs for long.
- gigantic decrease in public jobs monies - just 2-3 years ago we were getting upwards of \$20 million for CETA public service employment - lots of those folks now on GA.

SRS trying to address problem - but have they looked at real problems.

Good things about bill - do put into effect flat grants. Also well organized and clear language.

BUT - shouldn't write the actual income levels into the law but do it by rule. Too complicated tho. Will mean more dollars for state office people, for docs, and for lawyers. Not so good for the poor.

This wraps our problem in red tape. Unacceptable to cut off able-bodied under 50 in a civilized society. We would be taking away even the bootstraps people use to pull themselves up.

RECOMMEND:

1. More revenue thorough tax equity bills. Need dollars to feed, clothe and house people.
2. Development of public service employment program - perhaps the Montana Conservation Corps in the mill now.
3. For sure, delete the "under 50" section and the grant figures.
4. Study over the biennium the entire welfare system and how to develop a coordinated work program.

Judith H. Carlson, National Assn of Social Workers, Montana.

Exhibit 12
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HB 843
Campbell

Montana Association of Churches

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February 20, 1985

WORKING TOGETHER:

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of the Northwest

American Lutheran Church
Rocky Mountain District

Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
in Montana

Episcopal Church
Diocese of Montana

Lutheran Church
in America
Pacific Northwest Synod

Roman Catholic Diocese
of Great Falls-Billings

Roman Catholic Diocese
of Helena

United Church
of Christ
MT-N.WY Conference

United Methodist Church
Yellowstone Conference

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
Glacier Presbytery

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
Yellowstone Presbytery

I am testifying to show our concern for those who are the most needy, those who fall through the cracks in other assistance programs, those for whom the General Assistance safety net exists.

We support the funding of social services so as "to provide the necessities of life compatible with decency and health."

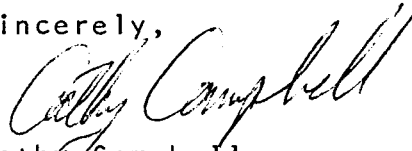
According to a 1983 Census Report, every 12 seconds, one more American slips below the poverty level. People below the official poverty line are, by definition, without sufficient resources to purchase the basic necessities of life.

It appears that by proposing to maintain the benefit level, SRS is fulfilling its responsibility to fund at the level of decency and health. But excluding one group of people because of their age is distressing. Excluding younger people assumes that just because these people are physically able to work, they will be able to find work. In Montana, our unemployment statistics clearly indicate that we do not have a job for every Montanan who wants and needs to work.

The questions confronting the Committee involve the most basic issues of providing the fundamental needs of food, clothing, shelter and medical care.

I urge you to fund General Assistance at a level to meet the needs of the people of Montana.

Sincerely,



Cathy Campbell
Legislative Liaison

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICES

Medical Assistance Program

<u>PERSONAL SERVICES</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>
Executive FTE	20.99	20.99
LFA Current Level FTE	20.99	20.99
Difference	0.0	0.0
Executive	\$629,012	\$630,036
LFA Current Level	622,809	623,847
Difference	\$ 6,203	\$ 6,189

----- Personal Services Issues -----

1. The difference in personal services is due to the executive including full benefits for 2.5 physician positions who provide medical review for the State Medical Program.

2. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Personal Services

<u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u>	<u>----- 1986 -----</u>			<u>----- 1987 -----</u>		
	<u>Base</u>	<u>Inflation</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Base</u>	<u>Inflation</u>	<u>Total</u>
Executive	\$1,861,045	\$ 75,362	\$1,936,407	\$1,845,829	\$ 75,896	\$1,921,725
LFA Current Level	1,812,499	152,449	1,964,948	1,812,499	247,914	2,060,413
Difference	\$ 48,546	\$(77,087)	\$(28,541)	\$ 33,330	\$(172,018)	\$(138,688)

----- Operating Expenses Issues -----

1. The LFA current level did not pick up an accounting transfer of \$24,519 in fiscal 1986 and 1987. The executive also included \$8,000 more in contracts for medical review and audit of the medicaid program during fiscal 1986. The net effect of these differences are that the executive is \$32,469 higher in fiscal 1986 and only \$17,219 in fiscal 1987.
2. The executive is \$5,000 higher in travel. This difference is related to the annualized cost of transferring social workers from the Social Services Program during fiscal 1984.
3. The executive is \$4,937 higher in rent also related to the annualized cost of the transfer of social workers during fiscal 1984.

4. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Operating Expenses

EQUIPMENT

	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>
Executive	\$ 230	\$ 230
LFA Current Level	<u>18,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
Difference	<u><u>\$(17,700)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 230</u></u>

----- Equipment Issues -----

1. The LFA includes funds for purchase of a word processing system.
2. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Equipment

Benefits

<u>DHES SURVEY</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>
Executive	\$142,931	\$143,050
LFA Current Level	<u>121,855</u>	<u>123,438</u>
Difference	<u>\$ 21,076</u>	<u>\$ 19,612</u>

- - - - - Benefits Issues - - - - -

1. The actual amount appropriated to the department of health was \$133,465 in fiscal 1986 and \$133,744 in fiscal 1987. The funds are used to support certification reviews of medicaid facilities. The funds are 100 percent federal funds.

2. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Benefits

<u>INDIAN HEALTH</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>
Executive	\$1,577,486	\$1,577,486
LFA Current Level	<u>1,577,486</u>	<u>1,577,486</u>
Difference	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>

- - - - - Indian Health Issues - - - - -

1. This amount is the most recent estimate of available funds. This program is 100 percent federal funds.

2. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Indian Health

MEDICARE BUY-IN

	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>
Executive	<u>\$1,499,040</u>	<u>\$1,745,280</u>
LFA Current Level	<u>1,540,680</u>	<u>1,793,760</u>
Difference	<u>\$ (41,640)</u>	<u>\$ (48,480)</u>

- - - - - Medicare Buy-in Issues - - - - -

1. Both the LFA current level analysis and the executive request estimate the by-in premium to be \$17.35 in fiscal 1986 and \$20.20 in fiscal 1987. The difference in the amount of the request is due to differences in estimated caseload. The executive estimates the caseload to be \$7,200 in fiscal 1986 and 1987. The LFA current level analysis estimate is 7,400 each year of the biennium.

2. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Medicare Buy-in

STATE MEDICAL

	<u>FY 1986</u>	<u>FY 1987</u>
Executive	<u>\$3,802,796</u>	<u>\$4,183,831</u>
LFA Current Level	<u>3,537,246</u>	<u>3,855,717</u>
Difference	<u>\$ 265,550</u>	<u>\$ 328,114</u>

1. The executive used a 10 percent caseload growth each year through fiscal 1987, and a 8 percent inflation between fiscal 1984-1985 and then 4 percent for fiscal 1986 and 1987.

The LFA current level analysis included a 5 percent caseload growth each year and 4, 4.5 and 5 percent inflation on costs.

This program is 100 percent general fund.

2. Committee Issues

Committee Action--State Medical

MEDICAID - INSTITUTIONS

	<u>FY 1986</u>	<u>FY 1987</u>
Executive	\$13,445,420	\$13,998,368
LFA Current Level	13,688,363	14,085,559
Difference	\$ (242,943)	\$ (87,191)

1. The difference is due to a combination of inflation factors and the estimated average daily population at the institutions. The medicaid portion of these funds are deposited in the general fund and considered in the state's revenue estimates.

2. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Medicaid Institution

MEDICAID - NURSING HOMES

	<u>FY 1986</u>	<u>FY 1987</u>
Executive	\$43,283,989	\$45,857,932
LFA Current Level	42,636,691	44,067,623
Difference	\$ 647,298	\$ 1,790,309

1. There are two significant differences between the LFA current level and the executive:

a. The executive has recalculated the weighted nursing home rate.

	<u>FY 86</u>	<u>FY 87</u>	<u>FY 86</u>	<u>FY 87</u>	<u>FY 86</u>	<u>FY 87</u>
Cross Rate	\$ 45.33	\$ 47.03	\$ 44.86	\$ 46.55	\$0.47	\$0.48
Patient Contrib.	(11.19)	(11.75)	(11.19)	(11.75)	0.00	0.00
Net Rate	\$ 34.14	\$ 35.28	\$ 33.67	\$ 34.80	\$0.47	\$0.48

Exhibit 14
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It is the intent of this committee that if the number of Nursing Home Days exceeds those funded by the Legislature and adversely impacts the budget for Medicaid, the Department of SRS shall seek a supplemental appropriation from the Legislature.

The difference in rates accounts for \$595,166 in fiscal 1986 and \$607,829 in fiscal 1987.

b. During fiscal 1987 the executive includes 33,517 more nursing care days than the LFA current level. This is due to the executive anticipating that 398 additional beds will come on-line during the biennium. The LFA current level analysis includes 149 additional beds during the biennium.

Projected Nursing Home Days		
	<u>FY 1986</u>	<u>FY 1987</u>
Executive	1,267,838	1,299,828
LFA Current Level	<u>1,266,311</u>	<u>1,266,311</u>
Difference	<u>1,527</u>	<u>33,517</u>

2. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Medicaid Nursing Homes

MEDICAID OTHER

	<u>AFDC</u>	
	<u>FY 1986</u>	<u>FY 1987</u>
Executive	\$25,865,710	\$26,876,576
LFA Current Level	<u>25,635,676</u>	<u>26,892,302</u>
Difference	<u>\$ 230,034</u>	<u>\$ 15,726</u>

Medicaid Other AFDC

	FY 86		FY 87	
	<u>Executive</u>	<u>LFA</u>	<u>Executive</u>	<u>LFA</u>
<u>Inpatient</u>				
Number of Services	73,832	73,768	73,763	73,697
Price per Service	<u>174.46</u>	<u>168.80</u>	<u>181.44</u>	<u>177.24</u>
Total Cost	<u>\$12,880,731</u>	<u>\$12,452,258</u>	<u>\$13,383,559</u>	<u>\$13,062,651</u>
<u>Outpatient</u>				
Number of Services	56,392	56,544	56,339	56,496
Price per Service	<u>29.61</u>	<u>28.65</u>	<u>30.79</u>	<u>30.08</u>
Total Cost	<u>\$ 1,669,767</u>	<u>\$ 1,620,014</u>	<u>\$ 1,734,678</u>	<u>\$ 1,699,425</u>
<u>Physicians</u>				
Number of Services	202,654	201,785	202,465	201,555
Price per Service	<u>26.698</u>	<u>27.88</u>	<u>27.76</u>	<u>29.28</u>
Total Cost	<u>\$ 5,408,835</u>	<u>\$ 5,625,770</u>	<u>\$ 5,620,428</u>	<u>\$ 5,901,537</u>
<u>Other Prac.</u>				
Number of Services	77,160	77,208	77,088	77,103
Price per Service	<u>14.24</u>	<u>14.87</u>	<u>14.81</u>	<u>15.62</u>
Total Cost	<u>\$ 1,098,758</u>	<u>\$ 1,148,083</u>	<u>\$ 1,141,673</u>	<u>\$ 1,024,360</u>
<u>Drugs</u>				
Number of Services	99,723	99,507	99,630	99,457
Price per Service	<u>10.22</u>	<u>9.89</u>	<u>10.63</u>	<u>10.38</u>
Total Cost	<u>\$ 1,929,450</u>	<u>\$ 2,007,753</u>	<u>\$ 2,005,149</u>	<u>\$ 2,106,170</u>
<u>Dental</u>				
Number of Services	88,143	87,790	88,061	87,685
Price per Service	<u>21.89</u>	<u>22.87</u>	<u>22.77</u>	<u>24.02</u>
Total Cost	<u>\$ 1,929,450</u>	<u>\$ 2,007,753</u>	<u>\$ 2,005,149</u>	<u>\$ 2,106,170</u>
<u>Other</u>				
Number of Services	166,279	166,297	166,124	166,149
Price per Service	<u>11.18</u>	<u>10.81</u>	<u>11.63</u>	<u>11.35</u>
Total Cost	<u>\$ 1,858,999</u>	<u>\$ 1,797,674</u>	<u>\$ 1,932,022</u>	<u>\$ 1,885,794</u>

1. The major difference between the LFA current level and the executive is the inflation rates. The executive inflated the price per service by 8 percent between fiscal 1984 and 1985.

2. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Medicaid other AFDC

MEDICARE OTHER SSI

	<u>FY 1986</u>	<u>FY 1987</u>
Executive	\$24,850,294	\$25,848,166
LFA Current Level	<u>23,335,641</u>	<u>24,502,422</u>
Difference	<u>\$ 1,514,653</u>	<u>\$ 1,345,744</u>

1. There are two major differences between the LFA current level authorized and the executive request.
 - a. The executive inflated the price per service by 8 percent from 1984-1985 and the 4 percent per year through fiscal 1987. The LFA current level includes inflation factors of 4, 4.5, and 5 percent.
 - b. The executive estimates the average caseload for SSI to be 10,700 each year of the 1987 biennium. The LFA current level held the caseload constant at the fiscal 1984 level of 10,279.

Medicaid Other SSI

	FY 86		FY 87	
	<u>Executive</u>	<u>LFA</u>	<u>Executive</u>	<u>LFA</u>
<u>Inpatient</u>				
Number of Services	39,722	38,159	39,722	38,160
Price per Service	<u>243.13</u>	<u>235.25</u>	<u>252.86</u>	<u>247.01</u>
Total Cost	<u>\$9,657,610</u>	<u>\$8,977,079</u>	<u>\$10,044,105</u>	<u>\$9,425,933</u>
<u>Outpatient</u>				
Number of Services	18,328	17,546	18,328	17,546
Price per Service	<u>41.75</u>	<u>40.39</u>	<u>43.42</u>	<u>42.41</u>
Total Cost	<u>\$ 765,194</u>	<u>\$ 708,719</u>	<u>\$ 795,802</u>	<u>\$ 744,155</u>
<u>Physicians</u>				
Number of Services	107,479	102,756	107,479	102,756
Price per Service	<u>20.07</u>	<u>20.97</u>	<u>20.87</u>	<u>22.02</u>
Total Cost	<u>\$2,157,104</u>	<u>\$2,154,798</u>	<u>\$2,243,087</u>	<u>\$2,262,538</u>
<u>Other Prac.</u>				
Number of Services	44,120	42,360	44,120	42,360
Price per Service	<u>13.11</u>	<u>13.70</u>	<u>13.63</u>	<u>14.38</u>
Total Cost	<u>\$ 578,413</u>	<u>\$ 580,339</u>	<u>\$ 601,356</u>	<u>\$ 609,356</u>
<u>Drugs</u>				
Number of Services	362,038	348,083	362,038	348,083
Price per Service	<u>12.42</u>	<u>12.02</u>	<u>12.92</u>	<u>12.62</u>
Total Cost	<u>\$4,496,512</u>	<u>\$4,183,959</u>	<u>\$4,677,531</u>	<u>\$4,393,156</u>
<u>Dental</u>				
Number of Services	19,967	18,308	19,967	18,308
Price per Service	<u>31.90</u>	<u>33.33</u>	<u>33.18</u>	<u>34.99</u>
Total Cost	<u>\$ 636,947</u>	<u>\$ 610,229</u>	<u>\$ 662,505</u>	<u>\$ 669,574</u>
<u>Other</u>				
Number of Services	914,716	879,229	914,716	879,229
Price per Service	<u>7.17</u>	<u>6.93</u>	<u>7.46</u>	<u>7.28</u>
Total Cost	<u>\$6,558,514</u>	<u>\$6,093,057</u>	<u>\$6,823,781</u>	<u>\$6,397,710</u>

2. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Medicaid - Other SSI

MEDICAID WAIVER

	<u>FY 86</u>	<u>FY 87</u>
Executive	<u>\$1,196,357</u>	<u>\$1,238,807</u>
LFA Current Level	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>
Difference	<u>\$1,196,357</u>	<u>\$1,238,807</u>

- - - - - Medicaid Waiver Issues - - - - -

1. The LFA current level analysis does not include funding for this program. As presented during the 1983 session, the department stated the waiver would reduce the number of individuals requiring nursing home care. This has not occurred.

2. Committee Issues

Committee Action--Medicaid Waiver

<u>DEFRA</u>	<u>FY 86</u>	<u>FY 87</u>
Executive	\$2,053,004	\$2,569,440
LFA Current Level	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>
Difference	<u>\$2,053,004</u>	<u>\$2,569,440</u>

1. The LFA current level analysis does not include any costs for the DEFRA impact in AFDC or medicaid. Because there is only limited information upon which to base an estimate of these costs, the current level analysis recommends a contingency fund be established that is restricted to costs that can be directly attributable to the impact of DEFRA.

Modified Requests

Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS)

Funds are requested in fiscal 1986 to complete the MMIS.

FY 86

Contracted Services	<u>\$1,200,000</u>
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FUNDING

General Fund	\$ 120,000
Public Welfare	<u>1,080,000</u>
Total	<u>\$1,200,000</u>

1. Committee Issues

Committee Action

Home and Community Based Services

Funds are requested for an additional 400 home and community based slots over the biennium. Home and community based services provide an alternative to nursing home care. This is an expanded service.

	<u>FY 86</u>	<u>FY 87</u>
FTE	6.0	9.0
Personal Services	\$ 140,782	\$ 207,299
Supplies and Materials	2,000	3,000
Communications	4,000	6,000
Travel	27,354	45,069
Other	220,000	165,000
Grants	<u>1,044,000</u>	<u>2,784,000</u>
Total	<u>\$1,438,136</u>	<u>\$3,210,368</u>

<u>FUNDING</u>	<u>FY 1986</u>	<u>FY 1987</u>
General Fund	\$ 635,169	\$1,180,140
Public Welfare-Grants	<u>802,967</u>	<u>2,030,228</u>
Total	<u>\$1,438,136</u>	<u>\$3,210,368</u>

1. Committee Issues

Committee Action

Medicaid Cost Containment Pilots

Funds are requested to test capitation programs and/or recipient education and benefit programs in an attempt to develop a long-range proposal for cost containment in the medicaid program.

	<u>FY 1986</u>	<u>FY 1987</u>
FTE	1.0	1.0
Personal Services	\$26,102	\$26,114
Contracted Services	46,887	20,887
Supplies of Materials	312	312
Communications	941	1,000
Equipment	<u>809</u>	<u>-0-</u>
Total	<u>\$75,051</u>	<u>\$48,313</u>

<u>FUNDING</u>	<u>FY 1986</u>	<u>FY 1987</u>
General Fund	\$37,525	\$24,156
Public Welfare	<u>37,526</u>	<u>24,157</u>
Total	<u>\$75,051</u>	<u>\$48,313</u>

1. Committee Issues

Committee Action

Acute Care Reimbursement Program

Montana can no longer utilize cost reporting and auditing resources from the medicare system as medicare has changed from a retrospective to a prospective payment system. Unless Montana adopts the medicare payment system, the department must replace lost resources. Funds are requested for two financial analysts, one clerical, one accounting technician and related expenses.

	<u>FY 1986</u>	<u>FY 1987</u>
FTE	4.0	4.0
Personal Services	\$87,905	\$87,943
Contracted Services	437	437
Supplies and Materials	2,288	2,288
Communications	2,795	2,570
Travel	3,306	3,306
Equipment	2,933	-0-
Total	<u>\$99,664</u>	<u>\$96,544</u>

<u>FUNDING</u>	<u>FY 1986</u>	<u>FY 1987</u>
General Fund	\$49,832	\$48,272
Public Welfare	49,832	48,272
Total	<u>\$99,664</u>	<u>\$96,544</u>

1. Committee Issues

Committee Action

Eligibility Technicians - State Assumed Counties

	<u>FY86</u>	<u>FY87</u>
<u>SRS Requested - 10 FTE's</u>		
FY86 and 20 FTE's FY87		
General Fund	\$ 63,461	\$161,105
Federal Funds	<u>49,862</u>	<u>126,582</u>
Total	<u>\$113,323</u>	<u>\$287,687</u>
 <u>Sub-Committee Approved - 5 FTE's</u>		
FY86 and 10 FTE's FY 87		
General Fund	\$ 31,731	\$ 80,553
Federal Funds	<u>24,931</u>	<u>63,291</u>
Total	<u>\$ 56,662</u>	<u>\$143,844</u>
 <u>1 FTE Per County - 6 FTE's</u>		
FY86 and 12 FTE's FY87		
General Fund	\$ 35,430	\$ 96,202
Federal Funds	<u>27,837</u>	<u>75,587</u>
Total	<u>\$ 63,267</u>	<u>\$171,789</u>

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Judy Carlson	Helena		
Beth Smith	Helispell		
Paul Graham	Hamilton		
Jean Johnston	Missoula		
James C. Sherriff	Billings		
Cathy Kendra	Helena		
Eudora Fald	Anaconda		
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Delores Schrage	Missoula		
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Louise KUNZ	MT Low Income		X
Donald Robertson	Great Falls		X
Cathy Campbell	MT Area of Churches		X
Leif Kucka			X
BRIEN THANE	Helena		X
Jois M Durand	211 N. Idaho St. Helena		X
Charles Kusey	Helena		X
John Don John	Butte		X
Thom Arundson	Concerned Citizens' Coalition		X
Robert Clark	C.C.C. Great Falls		X
Sue Fifield	LIGHT MSLA MT		X
Naumica S Mann	LIGHT INC. MSLA MT		X
DAVE MANN	LIGHT INC. MSLA MT		X
Gary Rudolph	MSLA MT		X
Shirley Fair	Helena		

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<i>Hank Lindberg</i>	<i>ccc</i>		<i>x</i>
<i>Lydia J. Lindberg</i>	<i>ccc</i>		<i>x</i>
<i>Dale Strachan</i>	<i>ccc</i>		<i>x</i>
<i>JUDITH Carlson</i>	<i>NASW - HELENA</i>		<i>x</i>
<i>Frank E. Dutton</i>	CCC <i>ccc</i>		<i>x</i>
<i>Dale W. Green</i>	<i>ccc</i>		<i>✓</i>
<i>Keith Roberts</i>	<i>Butte</i>		
<i>James Sands</i>	<i>Butte</i>		
<i>James Fogarty</i>	<i>Butte</i>		
<i>James C. Shaw</i>	<i>Billings</i>		
<i>Bonnie Evans</i>	<i>Victory</i>		<i>✓</i>
<i>John Osterman</i>	<i>Helena</i>		<i>✓</i>
<i>Doris L. Smith</i>	<i>ccc Great Falls</i>		<i>✓</i>
<i>Edward J. Boyle</i>	<i>ccc Great Falls</i>		<i>✓</i>
<i>Paul Corpinio</i>	<i>mtlc Helena mt</i>		<i>✓</i>
<i>Robert Clark</i>	<i>ccc Great Falls</i>		<i>✓</i>
<i>Sharon Zampich</i>	<i>Great Falls</i>		<i>✓</i>
<i>Kathleen O'Sullivan</i>	<i>821 E First Butte</i>		<i>✓</i>
<i>Lula Martinez</i>	<i>128 1/2 N Idaho Butte</i>		<i>✓</i>

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Jois 711 Allard	211 No 3rd Ave B.C. N.		
Christa Krumm	Helena		✓
Dan Rubick	7 N Arizona		✓
Arlene Phillips	3024 Blue Bird		✓
Lushea Wassberg	3808 Warren Butte		✓
Lucille Hayden	943 1/2 Granite Butte		✓
Richard Cook	107 W. Quartz, Butte		✓
Tom Sen. Steve Shugart	160 W. Granite, Butte		✓
Bruce A. Rubick	107 W. Quartz St Butte		✓
Larry Buskness	107 W Quartz #4 Butte		✓
			X

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