MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 52nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

SUBCOMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONS & CULTURAL EDUCATION

Call to Order: By WM. "RED" MENAHAN, on February 11, 1991, at 9:00 A.M.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Wm. "Red" Menahan, Chairman (D)

Sen. Dick Manning, Vice Chairman (D)

Sen. Gary Aklestad (R)

Sen. Tom Beck (R)

Rep. Dorothy Cody (D)

Rep. Chuck Swysgood (R)

Sen. Eleanor Vaughn (D)

Staff Present: Sandra Whitney, Associate Fiscal Analyst (LFA)

Mary LaFond, Budget Analyst (OBPP)

Mary Lou Schmitz, Secretary

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON LANGUAGE

Tape No. 1;A;13

Motion/Vote: SEN. BECK moved to accept Exhibit 1, Language as follows: Included in the appropriation for the Montana State Hospital chemical dependency program are \$1,408,733 for FY92 and \$1,413,201 for FY93 for the operation of the Galen Chemical Dependency Program. No more than 5% of these funds may be transferred. MOTION CARRIED WITH SEN. AKLESTAD AND REP. CODY VOTING NO.

Motion/Vote: SEN. BECK moved Exhibit 2, Language as follows: Transfers may be made between line items with the Mental Health Division and the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division for the purpose of accurately allocating operating expenses associated with the alcohol and drug programs on the Galen Campus upon approval of the governor or his designated representative. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Motion/Vote: SEN. AKLESTAD moved to budget by program to give the Department latitude to move personal services and operating budgets within individual programs. MOTION CARRIED WITH SEN. BECK AND REPS. MENAHAN AND SWYSGOOD VOTING NO.

Discussion: Ms. Whitney said because of the reorganization of

the Department they have presented the budget in six programs. The Subcommittee has taken the LFA current level and gone through each of the individual units. The question is whether to budget by program subject to the line items already approved, such as the Corrections Medical, or whether to budget by institutions, such as the Prison, Swan or W.C.C. The Department has been talking about flexibility and budgeting by program. For instance, Corrections will have flexibility to move money from Swan to Prison. If you budget by institution they are subject to 5% transfer.

REP. CODY asked if they have excluded Galen and Warm Springs how many programs are being considered. Ms. Whitney said in Mental Health they have allowed the transfer of the operating expenses at Galen to chemical dependency. If the Mental Health program is budgeted as a program they will still have the flexibility to move money from the State Hospital to Center for the Aged to Galen to community services outside of what has been done.

Ms. Whitney said if operations are budgeted by program then the funds can be worked there. If mental health is budgeted by program then funds can be worked there. If DD is budgeted by program the funds can be utilized in Boulder or Eastmont as the need arises.

SEN. AKLESTAD said personal services could not be transferred into operating expense last session and asked how long the language is in effect. Ms. Whitney said that language is in effect for this Biennium and is also going to be heard in the new Biennium.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 9:50 A.M.

WM. "RED" MENAHAN, CHAIR

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MARY LOU/SCHMITZ, Secretary

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

INSTITUTIONS AND CULTURAL EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE

ROLL CALL

DATE 2-11-91

NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
REP. WM. "RED" MENAHAN, CHAIRMAN			
SEN. DICK MANNING, VICE-CHAIRMAN	, X		
REP. DOROTHY CODY			
SEN. ELEANOR VAUGHN			
REP. CHUCK SWYSGOOD	/		
SEN. GARY AKLESTAD			
SEN. TOM BECK			

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State Hospital

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DEPARTMENT OF INSTITUTIONS PROPOSED TRANSFER AUTHORITY LANGUAGE FOR INSERTION IN HB2

MONTANA STATE HOSPITAL:

Transfers may be made between line items within the Mental Health Division and the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division for the purpose of accurately allocating operating expenses associated with the alcohol and drug programs on the Galen Campus upon approval of the governor or his designated representative.