

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 52nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

SUBCOMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES & AGING

Call to Order: By Chairwoman Bradley, on January 9, 1991, at 10:15 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Dorothy Bradley, Chairwoman (D)
Sen. Mignon Waterman, Vice Chairwoman (D)
Rep. John Cobb (R)
Rep. John Johnson (D)
Sen. Tom Keating (R)
Sen. Dennis Nathe (R)

Staff Present: Taryn Purdy (LFA), Terri Perrigo (LFA), Carroll South (LFA), Sandra Whitney (LFA) and Faith Conroy, Secretary.

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

Announcements/Discussion: Organizational meeting.

REP. BRADLEY introduced key individuals from the Department of Health and Environmental Sciences (DHES), Legislative Fiscal Analyst Office, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP), Social and Rehabilitative Services (SRS), Department of Labor and Industry (DLI), and the Department of Family Services (DFS).

REP. BRADLEY provided copies of the subcommittee's hearing schedule, noting that it is subject to change, and outlined the procedure for handling agenda items. She suggested the subcommittee first hear from department division personnel, then the fiscal analyst, followed by the state budget office and the public. Bradley said the subcommittee initially will take executive action on an issue the day following the hearing on the matter, unless it is possible to take action the same day.

REP. BRADLEY said asked if any subcommittee members had conflicts with the time schedule of ending at noon each day. None indicated conflicts.

REP. BRADLEY suggested the subcommittee take two trips during the session. One to Boulder in conjunction with the Insitutions and Long Range Building subcommittees, Butte to see Rivendell, and Missoula to see the Specialized Service Support Organization established by the 1989 Legislature. She said the second trip

would be to the Intermountain Deaconess (Children's Home), a residential facility in Helena.

REP. BRADLEY noted the executive budget proposes to use vacancy savings to cover approximately two-thirds of the funding for the pay-plan increase. A final decision will be made later by the Legislature, so the subcommittee should treat vacancy savings as it has in the past. She said the subcommittee last session fully funded personal services, but line-itemed those dollars so that they could not be switched to operating expenses, guaranteeing some reversions at the end of the year to help balance some supplemental appropriations.

REP. KEATING said subcommittee members should know if departments used operating expenses to finance salaries. He said he believed such transferring occurred.

REP. BRADLEY replied that the matter could be worked out as the subcommittee reviews the budgets. She indicated there had been complaints that the personal service line-iteming wasn't fully tracked, but dollars were not always appropriated in a way that made tracking possible.

REP. BRADLEY said an unresolved issue being worked out is how legislators will initially deal with inflation and fixed costs as they go through each budget.

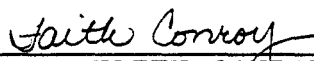
REP. BRADLEY had lobbyists and other visitors to identify themselves and indicate their purpose in the subcommittee. She announced the subcommittee would begin its work Thursday, Jan. 10, at 8 a.m., beginning with the Department of Health.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment At: 11:15 a.m.



REP. DOROTHY BRADLEY, Chairwoman



FAITH CONROY, Secretary

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NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
REP. JOHN COBB	✓		
SEN. TOM KEATING	✓		
REP. JOHN JOHNSON	✓		
SEN. DENNIS NATHE	✓		
SEN. MIGNON WATERMAN, VICE-CHAIR	✓		
REP. DOROTHY BRADLEY, CHAIR	✓		

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NAME	REPRESENTING	SUP- PORT	OP- POSE
Sandy Whitney	LFA		
Taryn Purdy	LFA		
Carroll South	LFA		
L. D. ITT CARLSON	NASW, NSCA, BIZ/S, HIRC		
Rose Hughes	Int. Health Care Assn		
Marty Onishuk	Mon Am. Alliance for Mentally Ill		
Kathy McLauran	MCNHC, MRCCA, Mt. Psych.		
Bob Mullen	Dept. of Labor & Industry		
Mike Miron	DLI		
Brin McElly	DLI		
Gym Smith	MAR MRCCA Mt. Psych Assoc.		
Flora Sordis	MT. Women's Lobby		
late Chisena	MT Women's Lobby		
Chris Valucksky	DD Lobbyist		
DEANUS TUDSON	DHES		
Ray Hoffman	DHES		
Dan Gungl	OBPP		
Terri Perrino	LFA		
Julie Robinson	SRS		
Bill Furo's	OBPP		

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