

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 55th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONS

**Call to Order:** By CHAIRMAN GARY FELAND, on January 8, 1997, at 8:04 A.M., in Room 405.

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Gary Feland, Chairman (R)  
Sen. Arnie A. Mohl, Vice-Chairman (R)  
Sen. B.F. "Chris" Christiaens (D)  
Rep. William T. "Red" Menahan (D)  
Sen. Mike Taylor (R)  
Rep. Steve Vick (R)

**Members Excused:** None

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Skip Culver, Legislative Fiscal Division  
Hope Spriggs, Committee Secretary

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: Supplementals; 1/7/97  
Executive Action: None

#### HEARING ON SUPPLEMENTALS

*{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 0.0; Comment: Testimony: Proponent Rick Day, Montana Department of Corrections summarizes need for supplemental funds.*

EXHIBIT 1

EXHIBIT 2

EXHIBIT 3

EXHIBIT 4

*{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 24.2; Comments: Testimony: Proponent Mike Ferriter, Administrator, Community Corrections Division, speaks on the budget needs of the Montana Youth Alternative.*

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{Tape: 1; Side: B ; Approx. Time Count: 0.8; Comments: Rick Day remarks on why certain budgeted funds were never received.}

EXHIBIT 5

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 13.0; Comments: Testimony: Joe Williams, Fiscal Bureau Chief, DOC, Refers questions asked about the Aspen program to Mike Ferriter..}

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 14.5; Comments: Mike Ferriter speaks on monetary needs and future of the Montana Youth Project and return rates.}

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 25.5; Comments: Rick Day speaks on operating costs in the Montana programs compared to national costs.}

{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 0.1; Comments: Mike Ferriter speaks on future budget projections and expansion possibilities with the Boulder facility.}

{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 3.8; Comments: Testimony: Proponent David Gates, Chief Probation Officer-Gallatin and President of State Probation Officers. Spoke on court ordered parental support, youth return rates and the need for a youth psychiatric care program.

{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 24.1; Comments: Testimony: Proponent Joe Furshong, Helena Schools and Special Services. Stated need for continued juvenile services and to work with local schools for safety reasons.}

{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 28.3; Comments: Testimony: Proponent Jim Smith: Montana State Association of Homes and Services for Children. Organization to place children in 24 hour supervised environment.}

{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 0.0; Comments: Jim Smith continues.}


{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 5.4; Comments: Testimony: Proponent Mary Alice Cook, Advocate for Montana's Children and Families. Spoke for support of education and independent living preparation in shelter care homes.}

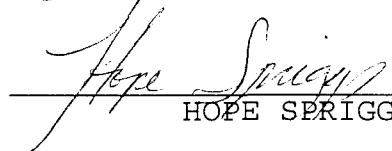
{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 14.3; Comments: David Gates.}

{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 17.1; Comments: Jim Smith. Spoke on the decision to privately contract youth corrections and goal of reducing repeat offenders. Included explanation for increasing prison populations.}

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 9:51 A.M.

  
GARY FELAND, Chairman

  
HOPE SPRIGGS, Secretary

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