

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 55th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES & AGING

Call to Order: By Chairman Betty Lou Kasten, on January 20,
1997, at 8 a.m., in room 108

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Betty Lou Kasten, Chairman (R)
Sen. Charles "Chuck" Swysgood, Vice-Chairman (R)
Rep. Beverly Barnhart (D)
Sen. James H. "Jim" Burnett (R)
Rep. John Cobb (R)
Sen. Mignon Waterman (D)

Staff Present: Pam Joehler, Legislative Fiscal Division
Ellen Garrity, Committee Secretary

Committee Business Summary:

*{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 1.0; Comments: Exhibit #1,
letter from Fort Belknap College.}*

*{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 1.5; Comments: Exhibit #2,
Revised Child and Family Services Division 1999 Biennium Budget
Request.}*

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Janet Brooke, Child Care Partnerships

*{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 2.0; Comments: Testified
in support of Child and Family Services Division.}*

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

*{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 4.0; Comments:
Subcommittee and DPHHS discussed Child and Family Services.}*

Hank Hudson, Director, Child and Family Services Division

*{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 4.8; Comments: therapeutic
foster homes.}*

*{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 7.5; Comments: long-term
foster care.}*

Lois Steinbeck, Bureau Chief, Fiscal Bureau

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 17.1; Comments: refinancing.}

Betsy Stimatz, Program Director, Family Services
{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 20.6.}

Linda Currie, Child and Family Services
{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 11.90; Comments: Rep. Cobb asked Ms. Currie for a list of supportive services and how much is dispensed to each county.}

Vice Chairman Swysgood
{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 19.0; Comments: asked questions about report by Legislative Auditor.}

Mike Billings, Director, Operations and Technology Division
{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 23.1; Comments: Mr. Billings will address audit questions at a later date.}

Karlene Leonard, Bureau Chief, Public Assistance Bureau
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 5.9; Comments: maintenance of effort.}

Hank Hudson
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 17.8; Comments: TANF.}

Karlene Leonard
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 31.0; Comments: participation rates.}

Linda Currie
{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 18.0; Comments: tribal child care.}

EXECUTIVE ACTION

Department of Public Health and Family Services Child & Family Services Division

Statewide Present Law Adjustments

Motion: Sen. Waterman moved to approved item 01, personal services.

{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 25.0; Comments: question about upgrades.}

Vote/Vote: The motion by Sen. Waterman failed 3-3.

Motion/Vote: Vice Chairman Swysgood moved to accept item 02, inflation/deflation. The motion passed unanimously.

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Motion/Vote: Rep. Cobb moved to accept item 03, fixed costs.
The motion passed 5-1.

Significant Present Law Adjustments

{Tape: 3; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 4.7.}

Motion/Vote: Rep. Cobb moved to accept item 08, csbg & commodities program adjustment. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion/Vote: Sen. Waterman moved to accept item 09, nutrition program operating and grant incr. The motion passed unanimously.

{Tape: 3; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 11.8.}

Motion/Vote: Rep. Barnhart moved to accept item 12, domestic violence grant increase. The motion passed 4-2.

Motion/Vote: Sen. Waterman moved to accept item 13, youth alcohol and drug treatment. The motion failed 4-2.

{Tape: 3; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 4.5.}

Motion/Vote: Vice Chairman Swysgood moved to accept item 14, transfer therapeutic Medicaid match. The motion passed 5-1.

Other Base Adjustments

Motion/Vote: Sen. Waterman moved to approve other base adjustments. The motion failed 4-2.

{Tape: 3; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 8.1; Comments: Exhibit #3, Additional Federal Spending Authority Request, 1999 Biennium.}

Federal Spending Authority

Motion/Vote: Sen. Waterman moved to approve item #1, crisis nursery. The motion passed 4-2.

Motion/Vote: Sen. Waterman moved to approve item #2, Head Start. The motion failed 3-3.

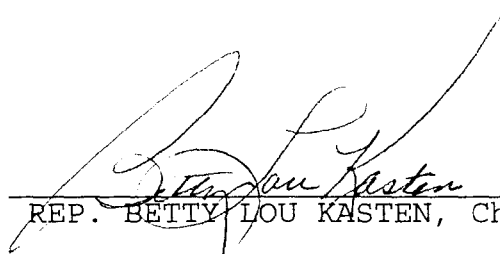
Motion/Vote: Sen. Waterman moved to approve Item #3, BPA. The motion passed 5-1.

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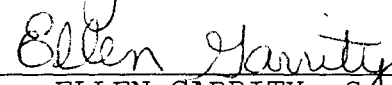
Motion/Vote: Sen. Waterman moved to approve Significant Present Law Adjustment item #11, Family Preservation Program Services Increase. The motion failed 3-3.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:20 a.m.



REP. BETTY LOU KASTEN, Chairman



ELLEN GARRITY, Secretary

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