

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 55th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONS

Call to Order: By CHAIRMAN FELAND, on February 13, 1997, at 8:05 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: DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
2/13/97; 2/6/97

-MONTANA CORRECTIONAL
ENTERPRISES

-ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPORT
SERVICES

Executive Action: None

HEARING ON MONTANA CORRECTIONAL ENTERPRISES

Ross Swanson, Accounting and Fiscal Manager, Montana Correctional Enterprises Division

**{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 1.4; Comments:
Presentation and requests.}**

EXHIBITS 1,2

The COMMITTEE asked Mr. Swanson questions on: vehicle maintenance, why general funds are needed for programs, license plate factory and follow up programs after inmate release.
{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 17.3;.}

SEN. CHRISTIAENS and SEN. TAYLOR asked Mr. Swanson about the status of the Toyota, livestock and meatcutting programs, and their ability to be self-supporting.
{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 27.3;.}

Skip Culver asked Mr. Swanson to address the \$800,000 increase in the fund balance.
{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 42.7; Comments: Continued to side B.}

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 6.9; Comments: Mr. Swanson continued with Mr. Culver's question.}

HEARING ON ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPORT SERVICES

DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

Bill Furois, Director, Administration Services Division
{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 10.9; Comments: Presentation and requests for Director's Office (Advisory Council).}

The COMMITTEE asked Mr. Furois if federal grants can reduce the request, for him to provide a record of the meetings and what he considers major accomplishments for the advisory council.
(Rick Day, Director, D.O.C., also responded to the last question).
{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 17.6;.}

Mr. Furois
{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 27.4; Comments: Presentation continued on Administrative Services Division.}

EXHIBIT 3

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Tom Nolan, Personnel Officer, D.O.C.
{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 31.3; Comments: Presentation of Safety Program.}

EXHIBIT 4

REP. VICK asked Mr. Nolan to explain the change in law that affected the rate change.

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 35.9; .}

Larry DeFrance, Chief, Information Services Bureau

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 39.4; Comments:

Presentation of the Information/Technology plan and request.}

EXHIBIT 5

{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 0.0; Comments: Mr. DeFrance continued.}

Mr. Furois and Mr. Day answered SEN. CHRISTIAENS question about the capabilities of creating inmate ID's.

{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 23.5; .}

The COMMITTEE asked Mr. DeFrance questions about: CAPS funding and networking all corrections facilities, possibility of the system being implemented in stages and completion/future upgrade schedule.

{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 27.8; .}

The COMMITTEE continued questioning Mr. DeFrance about: cooperation with ISD, FTE needed, and if the fingerprinting imager could function alone.

{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 37.7; .}

COMMITTEE questions continued on the possibility of FTE transfer to the new automation system.

{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 3.6; Comments: .}

Mr. Furois

{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 7.3; Comments:

Presentation: Victim Notification System.}

SEN. CHRISTIAENS and SEN. MOHL asked Mr. Furois questions about county participation, to whom system is available and other sources of funding for the new system.

{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 11.1; .}

Bob Anderson, Facilities Manager, D.O.C.

{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 14.0; Comments:

Presentation of Facility Management Position.}

SEN. CHRISTIAENS asked Mr. Anderson about maintenance.
{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 22.0;.}

Dan Chelini, Business Manager, MSP
{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 27.7; Comments:
Presentation of Administration and Support Services Accounting
Co-pay.}

{Tape: 3; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 0.0; Comments: Mr.
Chelini, continued.}

REP. VICK. and SEN. CHRISTIAENS asked Mr. Chelini about the FTE
request and inmate's accounts.
{Tape: 3; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 1.6;.}

Mr. Furois
{Tape: 3; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 10.0; Comments:
Administration Services Division Conclusion.}

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Sally Johnson, Administrator, Professional Services Division,
D.O.C.
{Tape: 3; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 11.4; Comments:
Presentation of the Professional Services Division.}

EXHIBITS 6,7

Dr. David Schaefer, Psychiatrist, Director, Mental Health
Services, MSP
{Tape: 3; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 32.0; Comments:
Presentation of Mental Health Services at MHP and requests.}
EXHIBIT 8

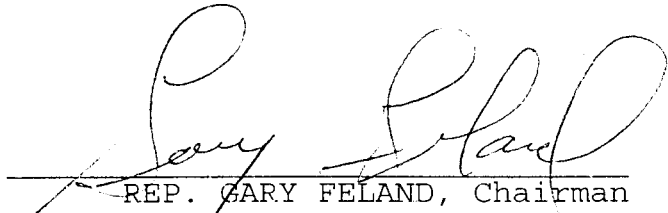
Dave Ohler (Legal Services), answered SEN. CHRISTIAENS questions
on the consequences of non-compliance of the settlement
agreement, and what is needed to comply.
{Tape: 3; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 3.7;.}

Bob Ross, Region 3 Mental Health Center, Billings
{Tape: 3; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 5.4; Comments: Goals,
duties of Mental Health Center.}


SEN. CHRISTIAENS asked Mr. Ross about working with mentally ill
inmates, and concern over lack of support to victims.
{Tape: 3; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 11.9;.}

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 12:08 P.M.



REP. GARY FELAND, Chairman



HOPE SPRIGGS, Secretary

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These minutes were recorded on three 90 minute audio-cassette tapes.