

1999 HOUSE HUMAN SERVICES

HCR 3065

1999 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HCR 3065

House Human Services Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date February 24, 1999

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
1	X		0.0 - 8.4
1	X		33.3 - 34.4
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Susann Lindteigen</i>			

Minutes:

Chairman Rep. CLARA SUE PRICE called the committee to order. Present were Reps. Clara Sue Price, William Devlin, Pat Galvin, Dale Henegar, Roxanne Jensen, Amy Kliniske, Chet Pollert, Todd Porter, Blair Thoreson, Bruce Eckre, Ralph Metcalf, Carol Niemeier, Wanda Rose, and Sally Sandvig. Representative Robin Weisz was absent.

Rep. SERENUS HOFFNER, District 32, testified HB 1014 was in our subcommittee which agreed to cosponsor this study resolution. There was a lot of legitimate concern on the changes that were made. The subcommittee felt that we should do as much as we can to streamline the administrative line items and try to get as much money out as we can in the form of grants. In visiting with some of the people who are close to this, they felt we went a little to far in moving monies out of administration and into grants. There are eight service regions and four Native American reservations. For this biennium, 18% of monies were allowed for running the local

service areas. The Governor recommended that be increased to 20%. The committee went to 15% which will generate slightly more than the 18% because there are more monies. There is \$6,000,000 in the current biennium compared to \$7,500,000 in the upcoming biennium. A lot of good things are happening with the Children's Services Coordinating Committee. The biggest issue is what is the right amount of money for funding the administrative level? We need to look at what's happening with the program itself, their administrative funding level.

Rep. CLARA SUE PRICE asked when you went through the budget, did you go through each region and did you see any differences? SERENUS HOFFNER stated we had a number testify, a good cross-sampling. In the smaller service areas, the lower administrative rate would work a hardship on them. We got the same story when we visited with the larger ones. Maybe, there needs to be some sort of a formula driven by numbers served, etc. We never got into a lot of detail in that area.

Lt. Governor ROSEMARIE MYRDAL, testified (Testimony attached) these are reimbursements for administrative services providing our children with Title 19 and Title 4, Foster Care. It's not administrative services in North Dakota but work we're doing for the federal government. If you use just the word *administration*, you probably don't include the kinds of activities that the coordinators, regions, tribal committees, and governing boards are involved in, in terms of collaboration. For that reason, I think it would be a productive interim study.

Rep. ROXANNE JENSEN asked what has been your reaction to the changes that the House made to HB 1014? Lt. Gov. ROSEMARIE MYRDAL stated we spent a lot of time developing our budget and kept track of what we actually spent on administrative costs. We found that the amount of money that the regions and tribes needed to carry out their administrative

collaborative activities would be 20% of that 725. We feel that's legitimate. We're defining administrative costs in a narrow sense without the appreciation of what we call our collaborative activities. Part of the reason you need a children's services committee in the eight regions and the reservations, so that you meet local needs and local planning with collaboration. This resolution gives us a chance to really work with the interim committee to identify costs that are collaborative.

OPPOSITION

None.

Hearing Closed.

Committee Discussion.

Rep. RALPH METCALF moved DO PASS.

Rep. CAROL NIEMEIER second the motion.

VOICE ROLL CALL VOTE #1: 13 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent.

CARRIER:: Rep. AMY KLINISKE

Date: 2-24-99

Roll Call Vote #: 1

1999 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 3065

House Human Services Committee

Subcommittee on _____

or

Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do Pass

Motion Made By Ralph Metcalf Seconded By Carol Niemeier

Representatives	✓	Yes	No	Representatives	✓	Yes	No
Clara Sue Price - Chairwoman				Bruce A. Eckre	✓		
Robin Weisz - Vice Chairman				Ralph Metcalf	✓		
William R. Devlin	✓			Carol A. Niemeier	✓		
Pat Galvin	✓			Wanda Rose	✓		
Dale L. Henegar	✓			Sally M. Sandvig	✓		
Roxanne Jensen	✓						
Amy N. Kliniske	✓						
Chet Pollert	✓						
Todd Porter	✓						
Blair Thoreson	✓						

Total Yes 13 No 0
Absent 2

Floor Assignment Amy Kliniske

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
February 24, 1999 9:49 a.m.

Module No: HR-33-3419
Carrier: Kliniske
Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HCR 3065: Human Services Committee (Rep. Price, Chairman) recommends DO PASS and BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3065 was placed on the Tenth order on the calendar.

1999 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS

HCR 3065

1999 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HCR3065

Senate Appropriations Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date March 10, 1999

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
2	X		936-1388
3/30/99 1	X		5755-5980
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Kathy C. Kotteleroch</i>			

Minutes:

SENATOR NAADEN: Opened the hearing on HCR3065; A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO STUDY THE USES OF FUNDING PROVIDED TO THE CHILDREN’S SERVICES COORDINATING COMMITTEE.

SERENUS HOFFNER: Representative District 32, testified in support of HCR3065 (tape 1, side A, meter 936-1184 (beginning of tape not working). HB1014 which is the budget of the Children’s Services Coordinating Committee bill is well written and we passed it in House. When we had the hearing, a lot of questions arose, primarily in the area of administration. The main area of concern was during the current biennium, we are setting aside 18% for administration at the regional level. I think through an Attorney Generals opinion, they’ve been able to access additional dollars so they were not held to the 18%. The Executive budget for this current biennium set the rate at 20%. There’s more money in it the upcoming biennium than the current biennium. The House version reduced that to 15%. I felt, and the Chair and Vice Chair of our subcommittee, Representative Stenhjem and Representative Bernstein also agreed that there should be a study of this and so they signed on to the study also. I would hope that you would support this. I think the work this group is doing is exceptional, a lot of positive things are happening. The main intent on the House side was to get as much money as we possible could out into the field, rural areas, and try to shrink that administrative piece as much as we could. Maybe we’ve gone too far. I think it’s a little more complex than just giving them each an equal amount of money, that’s why we need to study this. There are large regional areas that serve larger groups, in Bismarck, 100 plus grants. In other regions, they’re probable as few as ten or fifteen.

ROSEMARIE MYRDAL: Lieutenant Governor to testify in support of HCR3065 (testimony attached (tape 1, Side A, meter 1224-1354).

SENATOR NAADEN : Closed the hearing on HCR3065.

Subcommittee: Senator Andrist, Senator Grindberg, Senator Robinson.

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3/30/99 Tape 1, Side A, Meter 5755-5980

SENATOR NETHING: Reopened the hearing on HCR3065.

SENATOR ANDRIST: Explained the bill.

SENATOR NETHING: Called for the motion on HCR3065.

SENATOR ANDRIST: Motioned a Do Not Pass on HCR3065.

SENATOR GRINDBERG: Seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: 14 YEAS; 0 NAY; 0 ABSENT & NOT VOTING.

The Do Not Pass motioned carried on HCR3065.

CARRIER: SENATOR ANDRIST

SENATOR NETHING: Closed the hearing on HCR3065.

Date: 3-30-99
 Roll Call Vote #: /

1999 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HCR 3065

Senate APPROPRIATIONS Committee

Subcommittee on _____
 or
 Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do Not Pass

Motion Made By Senator Andrist Seconded By Senator Grindberg

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Senator Nething, Chairman	✓				
Senator Naaden, Vice Chairman	✓				
Senator Solberg	✓				
Senator Lindaas	✓				
Senator Tallackson	✓				
Senator Tomac	✓				
Senator Robinson	✓				
Senator Krauter	✓				
Senator St. Aubyn	✓				
Senator Grindberg	✓				
Senator Holmberg	✓				
Senator Kringstad	✓				
Senator Bowman	✓				
Senator Andrist	✓				

Total (Yes) 14 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Senator Andrist

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
March 30, 1999 10:55 a.m.

Module No: SR-57-5966
Carrier: Andrist
Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HCR 3065: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Nething, Chairman) recommends **DO NOT PASS** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3065 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

1999 TESTIMONY

HCR 3065

HOUSE HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE HEARING

Fort Union Room

February 24, 1999, 9:00 a.m.

House Concurrent Resolution 3065

Testimony by

Lt. Governor Rosemarie Myrdal

Chairman Price and members of the House Human Services Committee. My name is Rosemarie Myrdal. I am Lieutenant Governor and, by statute, serve as chair of the Children's Services Coordinating Committee (CSCC).

I am here to express support for HCR 3065 directing the Legislative Council to study the uses of funding provided to the CSCC. House Bill 1014 provides for the appropriation of the 7.5 million anticipated federal reimbursement for administrative services.

Since the beginning of refinancing in 1993, over 16 million federal dollars have been accessed for programs and services for children.

The state CSCC and 12 regional and Tribal committees welcome an opportunity to provide information about the uses of this funding. The question of appropriate administrative costs has been part of the budget discussions for the CSCC in the last two sessions. This interim study will provide an opportunity to define traditional administrative costs and to define and clarify expenditures for collaboration, a statutory mission for the state, regional and Tribal CSCCs.

I would be happy to answer questions you might have.