

HB

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## House

HOUSE HESS COMMITTEE MEETING

APRIL 26, 1976

Present: Beirne, Swanson Ostrosky  
Sullivan Osterback

Testifying: Walt Jones, D.O.C.  
Betsy McGuire, Office of Child Advocacy  
Noel Smith, Office of Aging  
Ada Gleason, Div. of Soc. Services

### HCR 135 - Placement of Children outside of Ak. - HESS

Betsy spoke about this resolution and that it did speak to a main issue the the Standards and Goals, which OCA just put together. This included removing all kids from outside facilities.

Amendment, line 25, should read "to place children in out-of-state facilities" passed

Walt Jones feels that corrections is allready doing this when possible and doesn't see a need for the resolution. Reasons they place kids outside is no facilitiy or space available.

This is true for corrections but not so for Soc. Service kids.

Committee decieded to hold bill over and get more information.

### HB 914 - Licensing of Care Providers - Ostrosky

Kathryn presented this bill,

Ada Gleason read the dept. position paper. They are for it, however, it has fiscal implications and would not fit into the gov. budget.

Ada feels that p.6 line 2 needs to add other categories, such as children, grandchildren, stepchildren, neices, nephews.

Mr. Smith testified about nursing home residents or just old people who need more than a place to live, boarding homes. He would like to see a definition of "fair" treatment specified in the bill, as well as some requirements that boarding homes would have to live under

Committee also feels there is a need to define "care" and also what "adult" means.. However, if boarding homes become licensed too stringently some very good care providers will be pushed out of business.

Decided to have Kathryn work on this bill a little more, need reasonable protection for care providers. Minimum requirements