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HOUSE HESS COMMITTEE MEETING

APRIL 10, 1976

Present: Beirne Sullivan Parr
Hackney Ostrosky Osterback

HB 866 Supplemental Appropriation to H&SS G&Y.HESS

Lois Jund gave a better explanation of why the dept. needs this additional \$. See dept. position paper. Due mainly because of the switch of some programs within the Fed. system to other systems, so a money lag.

Passed out with do pass.

The three licensing bills C.S. were given to everybody to look at over the weekend, if there are not objections they will be sent upstairs, as signed before the C.S. was completely drafted.

CSHB 744 Freedom of choice Beirne

Helen gave an explanation of this C.S., put in the clause "Terminal" rather than serious so noone would be condemned before terminally ill. Clause relating to temp. or self-destructive declaration., Rodey and Gurening don't feel its necessary because an individual can revoke it at any time.

Committee discusses what "life supporting" means. Drugs and electrical apparatus used in definition section of bill.

Amendment - page 5, line 2 delete "and drugs".
Passed

Glenn concerned that there might be problem with the malpractice issues and this bill. Bill has a referral to Judiciary, they can handle it.

Motion to pass bill out as a new C.S. with amendment, committee decided to have it redrafted including the amendment.

Motion to move out, passed.

HCR 101 Uniform account for health institutions - Ostrosky

Hold for fiscal note

HCR 104 - Support for existing health facilities - Ostrosky

Katherine presented the C.S., decided not to do anything with this now. Brian Saylor not available for explanation.



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MARCH 19, 1976

Present: Parr Hackney Davis
 Ose Swanson Sullivan

Testified: Janice Gates, Planning & Research, Dept. H&SS
 Noel Smith, Office of Aging
 Russ. Gentle, Div. of Pub. Assistance
 Roslyn Reeder, Div. of Pub. Assistance

HCR 102 - Availability of health services to public - Ostrosky

Janice Gates, there is already a Directory publication being printed right now, would be for everybody, not just recipients, doctors, etc. Maybe this would qualify for this bill. Will have one put in everybody's box next week.

Committee feels that they should postpone any action until they have an opportunity to read the directory from H&SS. HCR 102 tabled for one week.

HCR 104 - Support for existing health facilities - Ostrosky

Janice presented dept. position paper, agrees with resolution

Ose - motion to table HCR 104, passed

HCR 105 - Funds/ programs for medically underserved areas - Ostrosky

Janice - dept. supports the concept.

Hackney - doesn't want us going after any fed grants without going through some sort of state, in house committee. Also would like dept. to research available grants, but not go after them till somebody can decide. State ends up with all these fed grants and as their phased out, state must pick up tab.

Committee discussion related to all resolutions seemed pretty negative because of what Hackney just stated.

Parr, amendment line 21, insert after services, "within existing resources" this would delete any fiscal implications from dept. They would have to utilize existing personnel.

Amendment passed.

Hackney - amend line 21, delete "prepare and submit an application for" insert, "seek information on"



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Hackney amendment - line 22 period after eligible. Add "be it further resolved, that before the Department submits an application for federal grants, or any other, the application be approved by Legislative Budget and Audit Division of Legislative Affairs."

Amendment passed

Move to pass HCR 105 out, moved out with individual recommendations.

HCR 103 - Eligibility for admission to pioneer homes - Ostrosky

Sullivan moves that we hold till we find out if there was a study in 1972 concerning this issue. This was suggested by member. David Freer will get back to us on this issue.

HCR 106 - Health care reimbursement mechanisms - Ostrosky

Russ Gentle, dept. currently looking into this, so they do not feel this resolution is needed

Committee referred to the fact that this resolution is once again asking for more grants, referred to Hackneys problem with this that state usually ends up having to take over.

Committee decided to hold this for awhile/

HCR 101 - Uniform acct and reporting of health institution - Ostrosky

Dept. presented position paper on this.

Committee feels that dept. of admin. should provide a fiscal note on this (contacted dept. of Admin for fiscal note)

Parr amendment, page 2, line 2 "comma" after 93-641 add "to", delet "and"

motion passes

Parr amendment page 1, line 26, after administration , add ,"Comma" add "within existing resources",

Passes

Committee decided to hold bill over.

HB 742 not heard, will hold over

THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
FISCAL NOTE

Second Session Ninth Legislature

I. REQUEST

Bill No. House Concurrent Resolution No. 104
 Title: Reallocation of existing health facility space
 Requested by: Kellus Sewell, Admin. Officer Date: 2/25/76
 Return Date Requested: February 29, 1976
 Agency: Department of Administration Program: Division of Pioneers' Benefits

II. FISCAL DETAIL

Budget Request Unit(s) Affected: Pioneers' Homes'-Div. of Pioneers' Benefits

A. EXPENDITURES: (Thousands of dollars)

OBJECT	FY 76	FY 77	FY 78	FY 79	FY 80	FY 81
100 PERSONAL SERVICES	0	0	0	0	0	0
200 TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
300 CONTRACTUAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
400 COMMODITIES	0	0	0	0	0	0
500 EQUIPMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0
600 LAND & STRUCTURES	0	0	0	0	0	0
700 GRANTS, CLAIMS ETC.	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

B. FUNDING: (Thousands of dollars)

GENERAL FUND	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER	0	0	0	0	0	0

C. POSITIONS:

PERMANENT/TEMPORARY	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
MAN MONTHS (P./T.)	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0

III. ANALYSIS (See Fiscal Note Preparation Instructions, Section III)

It appears that this Resolution would provide no additional impact on the Department of Administration funds due to the fact that the Department is not involved in health facilities other than the Pioneers' Homes. Sitka, Fairbanks and Palmer recently underwent remodeling and enlargement. Bed capacity was increased from 263 to 371. In addition, the Anchorage Home will be completed in April 1977 with space for 150 residents. Kotzebue is scheduled to be completed in mid 1976 with 20 accommodations.

We anticipate no under utilization of beds. Present vacancies in the three operating Homes are being filled from waiting lists. As of February 1, 1976, there were 69 vacancies in the Homes and 138 on the waiting lists. The Homes being constructed are receiving applications which indicate they will be at capacity soon after opening.

IV. ATTACHMENTS

V. DATE: February 25, 1976 PREPARED BY: Frank C. Sisson

Original: Legislative Finance
 cc: Budget and Management (2)
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