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HOUSES HESS COMMITTEE MEETING

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 they 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

POSITION PAPER

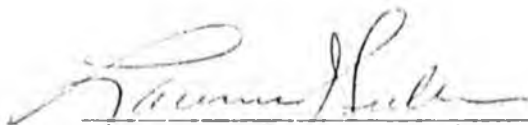
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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 106

Requesting the study of experimental health care reimbursement mechanism.

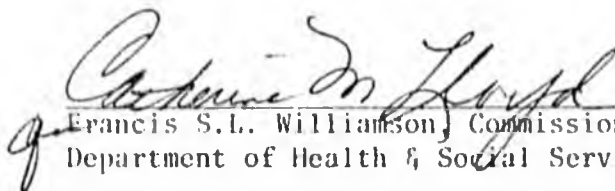
This Division feels that the resolution is unnecessary as investigation into alternative reimbursement systems has been initiated by the Department of Health and Social Services.

Recommended By:



Lawrence J. Sullivan, Director
Division of Public Assistance

3/3/76
Date



Francis S.L. Williamson, Commissioner
Department of Health & Social Services

3/9/76
Date