

SB

6410 AM

COMMITTEE REPORT

HOUSE

3/2/76

FINANCE

Mr. Speaker:

Date April 12, 1976

The Committee on HESS has had SB 640 am

under consideration. A Majority of the members of the Committee

- recommends it DO PASS
- recommends it DO NOT PASS
- recommends it DO PASS WITH ATTACHED AMENDMENT(S)
- recommends it BE REPLACED WITH CS FOR _____ AND THAT
CS FOR _____ DO PASS
- "and" recommends it BE REFERRED TO THE _____
COMMITTEE
- reports it back WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION
- "other"

Members signing the Majority report:

Susan Sullivan _____
William C. Lane _____
Tommy D. Kelly _____
_____ _____

Members NOT concurring in the Majority report:

_____ recommends: no vote
 _____ recommends:
 _____ recommends:
 _____ recommends:
 _____ recommends:

Susan Sullivan Chairman



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HOUSE HESS COMMITTEE MEETING

APRIL 12, 1976

Present: Beirne Parr Hackney Sullivan
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Testifying: Dove Kull, Ak. Homemakers Service
Jack Chenowith, A.A., Pat Rodey
Bob Cole, Alcohol, Dept H&SS

SB 640 am Appropriation for Foster Grandparents Rodey

Dove Kull spoke in favor of bill and her own experiences with foster grandparents. Also the fact that many of these foster grandparents work with no salary. This bill would give them a small income.

Jack Chenowith, previous program in state only in Anchorage, funded federally

Motion to move bill - do pass - unanimous

SB 586 Alcoholic Treatment Facilities

Bob Cole, here to answer questions on this bill. This bill has been heard before and was waiting for a new fiscal note. The bill is the vehicle for the bond CSSB 585, which was passed by the legislature, if the bond issue passes the voters, this bill would help to implement it.

Committee decided to pass out with a do pass.

HB 602 - Intoxicated persons treatment - Gov.

This bill has been heard before, needed new fiscal note, which is now here. It was \$300,000 now is \$112,000.

Committee discussion on the amendment which Art Peterson, Dept. of Law recommended. Definition of intoxicated persons, Committee decided to put in "extreme" where it was deleted. —

Motion to accept amendment, passed

Motion to move the bill out, passed - do pass.

Meeting adjourned

MEMO

To: Sharon Macklin,
House HESS committee

Fr: Jack Chenoweth

Re: SB 640 am, appropriating for the Foster Grandparents
Program.

Bill SB 640

Federal ACTION funds -- approximately \$ 113,000 this fiscal year -- support 45 foster grandparent positions in the Anchorage area. Grandparents are assigned to work exclusively with handicapped children at

Denali Street School	API
Alaska Treatment Center	Hope Cottage
Alaska Retarded Childrens Center	Whaley Center

Grandparents receive \$ 32.00 per week (based on a 20 hour work week), a daily meal, transportation to and from the facility and an annual physical examination. Costs appear to average \$ 2200 per grandparent per year.

Captain Cook Jaycees are sponsors of the program for the facilities listed. Federal support is allocated on the basis of a contract between ACTION and the Jaycees, with direct payments remitted from ACTION's Seattle regional office to the Jaycees.

I understand that there are no additional federal dollars available for expansion of the program in Alaska during the current or forthcoming federal fiscal years, Congress having placed a lid on the total appropriation for the program nationally. Thus, at least at present, new grandparent positions would be State-supported.

I assume, then, that a \$ 25,000 appropriation would allow employment of approximately 10 - 12 senior citizens in the program assuming no redirection of any portion of the appropriation to cover incremental administrative costs.

Recent expressions of interest in the program have come from Harborview Hospital (Valdez) and Catholic Charities (Juneau), with Henri House (Juneau) also a possibility.