

REPORTS—
GENERAL
INFORMATION

5. Legal Representation of Indigents

- Call Court*
- A. Bert Campbell wants a copy of my reports on this issue. *given 9/17/79*
 - < B. Charlie wants me to check with the Court System as to why they don't have any indigency guidelines. Asked Barrier for this information on 9/15.
 - C. Committee requested me to furnish (H) and (S) Finance with copies of my report on the Court appointed attorneys in the State court. Also send to Budget and Audit. *information sent 9/19/79.*

6. Juvenile Justice in Alaska

- relative*
- A. How long kept at McLaughlin? Both for juveniles committed as well as detained.
 - B. Are the due process rights of juveniles protected to the same extent as Adults?
 - C. Furnish Committee with copies of the flow chart given to me by Warner.
 - D. Charlie wants information on the publication of juvenile names.
 - E. Call Endell at Criminal Justice Center to confirm that he is working on juvenile intake criteria.
 - F. Organize the statistics furnished by Corrections and Social Services.
 - G. Find out about DOT reduction to Gym appropriation for McLaughlin.

7. Integrated and Nonintegrated Bar Associations

- request court*
review state's prior meeting
- A. Investigate the ability of the Legislature to regulate the Legal profession outside of the courtroom. *requested memo* Get Clocksin's memo on the practice of law *BACK IN ANCHORAGE ON THURSDAY, Sept. 20.* definition proposed by the Board of Governors. (What about leg. affairs & Depart. of Law attorneys who don't go into the courtroom.)
 - B. Review statutes furnished by Leg. Affairs on nonintegrated states to see how would work in Alaska.

8. Drug Laws

- A. get sentencing guidelines proposed by the judges. Call Judge Shultz in Ketchikan, to get permission to get from Terry White. Notify Judge Shultz of Judiciary Committee Hearing in Ketchikan. *done 9/19/79. Shultz is to mail materials to me.*
- B. Send letter to the Judicial Council making a formal request for quantity information. C. Research the administrative Search portion.
- D. Include in Members' files HB 101.
- D. Coordinate those who will testify at last hearing session in Anchorage on Drugs. Karl Frasier, AST, Dillingham, Bristol Bay area-Nels wants to be there. Expert, lawyer, that Ruby mentioned, Charlie said to consider him.
- E. *Include in members's files Gov's Proposed Bill.*
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Sunset Review:

1. Alaska Bar Association-request budgets, request statistics on grievance porcedure, outline the greivance procedure for committee.
 2. Juvenile Institutions-Confirm what this includes exactly.
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NEED: Sources for all reports.

Requests generated by the Bethel Hearing:

1. Anticipate letter from Ben Esh, City Atty., Bethel, regarding municipal immunity (Note see my memo to Charlie last session on this matter, its in Juneau)
2. Get information about the Public Safety officers-19 trained out of the villages surrounding Bethel. See Nix about in Juneau. *sent for from APSC APSC ref. to Nix*
3. Court of Appeals-check statistics for district court appeals and administrative agencies; find out about J. Singleton's proposal for an appeallate division of Superior Court Judges to handle dist. ct. appeals and administrative appeals. *Barrier said about 1 yr. ago*
4. Powers of the Second Class City, fines, jail sentences, who does this in terms of judges, PD, and DA functions

Requests generated by the Fairbanks hearing:

1. Dean Ferris- would like the jury to decide the law and the facts. See cases that the witness cited: George v. Braillesford , 3 Dal 1 (1794), a John Jay decision & US v. Dougherty, 473 F. 2d 1113, 1116
2. Carla Slaughter, says that DA's Office in Fairbanks contends that child stealing is not a criminal matter. I said at the hearing that it was a crime. Sent Charlie a memo on this and said would follow up with more info from Juneau about the DA's apparent policy. *(W) spoke to Dean in Juneau* Also need to check to see if the Child Support Enforcement Agency has exclusive jurisdiction over child support matters.
3. Fred Brown stated that he wanted some information on the Chicago jury selection system.
4. Wants portion of the trial tape that Clem Stevenson was held in contempt of court.
5. Wants an investigation of Frank Heffley --- need a release from parents and child. Could just send to Mr. Stevenson as he is the child's atty.

SR ^{EIA} Heffle
Box
OK Box 80740

Fairbanks, ALASKA 99701

SON: FRANK Heffle
2 juvenile cases.

*send release forms to Mr. Heffle
and 11/21/99*

TO: Charlie Parr, Chairman, and Members of the House Judiciary Committee

FROM: Margaret W. Berck, Administrative Assistant

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REGARDING

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Alaska State Legislature

House of Representatives

Committee on Judiciary

Pouch V
State Capitol
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Official Business

May 5, 1979

Charlie:

Attached is a tentative schedule of interim activities up to the time the Committee starts fall hearings.

Peggy and I have broken up the subject responsibilities as follows:

Peggy

Law Enforcement ✓
Sentencing/Probation/Bail ✓
Crimes ✓
Juvenile Court ✓
Drugs ✓
Free Attorneys ✓
Integrated Bar ✓
Product Liability ✓
Alaska Exemption Act (HB56) ✓
COURT OF APPEALS

Rocky

Judges
Jury System
Citizen Dispute
Center/Small Claims
Domestic Violence
Corrections
Committee Coordination, etc.

This work division is flexible and Peggy and I expect to help each other.

My Juneau mailing address is Box 578, Douglas, Alaska 99824 and my phone number is 586-6938, or leave a message at my folks place, 364-3177.

Peggy will use Pouch V, Juneau, Alaska 99811 as her mailing address and the phones in this office will be left connected. Those numbers are 465-3882 and 465-3718.

Interim House Judiciary Committee Projects Assigned to Berck.

1. Law Enforcement.

Priorities, how set and by whom, rationale.
How is the defendant's charge determined.
Cooperation with-local police, FBI, Federal marshalls,
probation officers.
Recruitment and Training-curriculum, qualifications, minorities.
Budget-state, Federal, local, LEAA (note LEAA requirements-
whether in compliance.) Break out in budget-personnel/
equipment.
Weapons policy and other Police ethics.
Send questionnaire to police officers.

2. Free Attorneys.

workload, verification of indigency, are indigent clients getting
fair representation. Questions should be directed to: ALSC, PD,
Court Appointed Attorneys, Federal Appointments. Query does the
Court system ever seek reimbursement for certain appointments, ie
attorneys for children.

How much time is spent by atty. with client before and during
trial. Follow up during imprisonment. Judges recc.

Cost average per case-for PD and Private atty. Results of PD
versus private attorney.

Public Defender Concept: does it result in equal justice? Can costs
be controlled? Are qualifications for indigency realistic?

How are complaints against PD, ALSC, DA handled. Ombudsman?

Verdicts obtained, % of appeals, % of sentence appeals.

Case law.

3. Alaska Exemption Act.

Do a sectional analysis of HB 56 for the Committee

4. Integrated versus Non-integrated Bar Associations.

See report prepared by Dick Bradley, LAA.

The following states have non-integrated bar associations:
Arkansas; Colorado; Connecticut; Delaware; Hawaii; Illinois;
Indiana; Iowa; Kansas; Vermont; Maine; Maryland; Massachusetts;
Michigan; Minnesota; New Jersey; New York; Ohio; Pennsylvania;
and Tennessee. Need to check local laws in these states to
determine the methods by which admissions and discipline are
handled.

What is the Alaska history on this issue. Dick says that in the old
days discipline was handled by the judiciary and AG controlled
admissions. This was prior to the integrated bar association in AK.

Note: Letter from Kull indicates that AK Bar is to a degree
subsidized for admission and disciplinary actions. Dick indicates
that money is obtained from the court system for disciplinary
activities. How much is this?

5. Product Liability.
Charlie received a questionnaire re: to a bill in Congress or a new uniform act. I can't find this correspondence.

Review the status of AK Law. Review other states and possibility of the uniform act.

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7. Juvenile Court.
McLaughlin Youth Center.
Number of Children sent outside the state.
Effects of the new criminal code.
Local facilities in Alaskan communities.
Probation services.
Alternatives to incarceration.
Appointment of Counsel.
Costs-does court seek reimbursement.
Minorities.

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8. Sentencing, Probation, Bail.

Sentencing practices: parole, probation, SIS, bail,
bail bondsman, ROR.

Effect of new criminal code.

Is parole system functioning effectively as a re-entry program?

Minorities.

How is bail set for specific crimes.

Parole Board- criteria for releasing inmate for parole;
quality and quantity of decisions.

Oversight review of Judicial Sentencing Study-to be certain that
legislative intent of HB 195, HB 196 is followed (Did those
pass?)

Status Report by Berck of Materials to be submitted to Committee on Sept 13.

Date: Sept. 2, Sunday

Sources

1. Law Enforcement

- A. Alaska Police Standards Council Report ✓
- B. Department of Public Safety Report ✓
- C. Budget Analysis of Sample Law Enforcement Agencies

xerox →

- D. Use of Force Policies - A report on this will be submitted at a later date.

2. Legal Representation of Indigents

- A. Alaska Legal Services Report ✓
- B. Alaska Public Defender Agency Report
- C. Court Appointed Counsel Report ✓
 - 1. Conflicts ✓
 - 2. Guardian ad Litem ✓

D. Federal Appointments

3. Alaska Exemptions Act ✓

- 1. Sectional Analysis by Baldwin - COVER LETTER REALINE sections & xerox
- 2. Bankruptcy Memorandum by Baldwin - xerox

4. Integrated versus Nonintegrated Bar Associations Report.

5. Juvenile Justice in Alaska Report

CALL Endell at Criminal Justice Center

Cover letter

statistics + chart

4 Coac memos
sources
xeroxing
+
what to stay
onilly

6. Drug Law in Alaska ✓

- 1. Bills currently in the Legislature
- 2. Analysis of the major drug bills in the Legislature, via matrixes
- 3. Overview of HB 479

~~COVER MEMO + HB 479 & SB 65~~

7. Crimes ✓

include chart ✓

- 1. Memorandum done by Legislative Research * ~~copy~~ + cover letter
- 2. Copy of the Crime Report issued by Criminal Justice Planning

8. Sentencing and Bail Practices **NEED DATA TO PREPARE COVER MEMO**

- 1. Brief report on the Sentencing Studies being conducted by various agencies

- 2. Bail Report hold up.

A. Misdemeanor Bail Schedule for Anchorage, other judicial districts will be forthcoming.

9. Court of Appeals ✓

ready to put in files ✓

- 1. Portion of report done by House Finance

Intend to spend rest of time:

- 1. gathering whatever additional information the Committee may request once they have digested the materials submitted in Sept. 13.
- 2. Coordinate additional information on Drugs, primarily of a statistical nature.
- 3. Complete use of force report, as soon as I get the revised policy.
- 4. Conduct further research on the Court of Appeals Issue.

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June 28, 1979

Senator George Hohman, Chairman
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Dear Senator Hohman:

I am sorry for the delay in replying to your request for a work sheet (your undated memo of early June). In keeping with the House leadership decision to fund interim committees on an austerity basis Committee staff was funded only for six months and Committee action planned only for the period Sep 1 - Dec 31.

The Committee is casting its net widely, investigating matters in the law enforcement, courts, and corrections areas. (Chairmen of the State Affairs and Health, Education and Social Services committees have concurred as far as their jurisdictions are affected.) It is the Committee's intent to secure the widest possible input from the general public, as past experience indicates that testimony in Juneau is too often confined to that from executive branch agencies, court system administrators, and attorneys.

General topics of investigation are:

Law enforcement: priorities; agency budgets, personnel and training, weapons use policies; domestic violence; crime, arrest, conviction, and sentence data; drugs.

Courts: selection and compensation of judges, selection and use of jurors, representation of indigent defendants, need for a court of appeals, integrated bar.

Corrections: alternatives to incarceration, facilities, handling of juveniles, effectiveness of probation and parole.

I had planned the following overall schedule:

July 1 - Aug 31 Research

Sep 1 - Dec 1 Committee meetings and hearings (Anchorage, Fairbanks, Nome, Bethel, Ketchikan)

Dec 1 - Dec 31 Preparation of reports and draft legislation

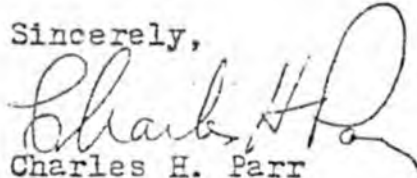
Senator George Hohman (June 28)

This schedule is no longer practicable. Abolition of the Legislative Research Division will require that obtain funding from the Legislative Council for the necessary research, and it is my understanding that mid-July will be the earliest possible date for such funding. This is a significant time-slippage.

The Governor's announced plan for a special session beginning Aug 6 further interferes with my plan of work. If the session drags on, or blows up and a second session is called (both of these are strong possibilities unless the Haul Road is funded year-round) the work of the Committee will be further delayed.

Although I will try to furnish the monthly reports requested in your memo, it is obvious that much cannot be expected until late fall.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Charles H. Parr". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

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FINANCE
COMMITTEE

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 - Juvenile confinement
 - BAR ASSOCIATION

HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE - TENTATIVE INTERIM SCHEDULE

8/9/79

September 5th Anchorage

Charlie, Peggy and Rocky - work session

September 13th Anchorage

Committee Briefing - 9:00a.m. - Legislative Information Office

—Public Hearing - 7:30p.m. - Eagle River Public Library

September 14th Anchorage

Committee Tour of
Correctional Facilities - Time TBA*- Facilities: Ridgeview, McLaughlin,
Third Ave., Sixth Ave.

September 15th Anchorage

Public Hearing - 9:00a.m. - Place TBA

October 5th Bethel

Committee Tour of Bethel Jail - Time TBA

Public Hearing - 2:00p.m. - Place TBA

October 6th Bethel

Public Hearing - 9:00a.m. - Place TBA

October 19th Fairbanks

Committee Tour of Fairbanks Jail - Time TBA

Public Hearing - 2:00p.m. - Place TBA

Party - Hosted by Parr's - Time TBA - 6½ Mile Chena Hot Springs Road

* TBA = TO BE ANNOUNCED

LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORT-----CONTENTS-----

1. Alaska Police Standards Council - *completed*
2. Department of Public Safety - *completed*
3. Budget Analysis for Sample Law Enforcement Agencies - *need to storage to be prepared to look on Sept. 9.*
4. Use of Force and Use of Deadly Force Policies

Conclusions to reports

most important data base

shorten reports.

Call Rocky + have stuff sent to
Leg. Information Office

This phone
5668

Barry
Stern

1. need to get preliminary draft of upcoming
"force" use of "de-legal force" - Barry
Stern. 279-7424 Monday call

state local monies - need to send request.

2. confirm facts with Nix + Meyer

ABA

Profiles
Hadden

272-943 (3) call Clocksin - HSC - Budget info.
10:00 AM TOMORROW

264-0416 Et. Rich Barrier > vacation til Aug 31st.

4. Court system stuff - next week
Court Appt. Atty - statistics - juvenile mistakes

Mr. Bob
Fisher
264-0561
Accountant

Guardian addition
Conflicts situation
court system solicited bids in
involvement of Bar ISSU
contracts.
John - Dir.
Lohff

ABA Report - Ct. of
Appeals

juvenile case loads
GRANT Kello

for budget information

77 final bills not in
what final figures?

5. Janet Sates - statistics from HSS - clup

Leann
264-0542

6. Appt. with Rubenstein - Sentencing Staff

Children
Jay Warner
264-0442
0423
0424

now contracted with two people - final
approval yet to come; <statute>

Wintalked
to.

Anchorage Fairbanks Kenai Court Palmer
Valdez

over - need to check Regs.,
Juvenile Confinement.

Use of foster homes by Dept.
of Corrections + Social Services.

Visit McLaughlin - Y. Center

Dentist
~~size sheet~~

Dr. Sharp - office 276-5173

one filling

confirm that he provides

money - payment

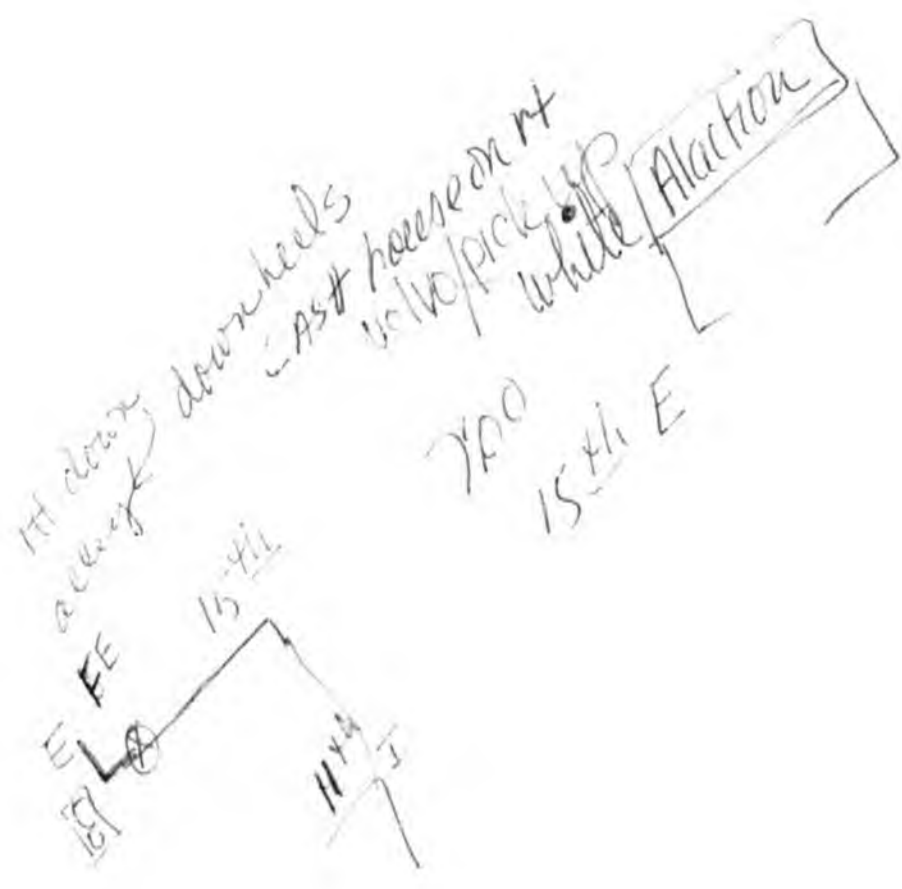
when ~~provide~~ appt.

2231 Northern - 10th Sept.

Sept
< Monday 17th 9:00 >
pay bring \$70,00

Margaret
Beck //

2221 E. Northern Lights Blvd.
Suite 212



ANCHORAGE - IMMEDIATE WORK

1. LAW Enforcement

today; after
**READY TO
WRITE**
confirmation of facts

1. Budget analysis* - completed
2. "Use of force" analysis - NEED
3. Interview Notes - Nix, MAYER

need some additional info. on state / local monies.

2. Legal Representation of Indigents

after Fisher
**READY
TO
WRITE**

1. Budget & statistics from P.D. - have
- got to 2. Budget & statistics from ALSC - NEED.
3. Court System - NEED - budget info. on court appt. atty & guardian ad litem.
4. Court Rule on Conflicts Situation
conflict solicitation

3. Integrated v. Nonintegrated BAR ASSN.

**READY TO
WRITE**
after Fisher

1. Memo from Leg Affairs - have
2. Memo from Leg. Affairs - (const. & statutory mechanisms) - NEED.
3. Court System's Budgetary Involvement - NEED.
4. Review Integrated BAR Act & Legislative Hist. of that Act - have.

Additional intake >
Rule 4 informal - don't have since prejudice
Some states have a point-system

no policies or procedures, criteria - hire people - use own discretion >

4. Juvenile Justice

call today
**NEED
MORE
INFOR-
MATION**
after team
+ site invest.

1. statistical information from HSS - NEED.
2. Review of AK statutes
3. Need interviews: McLaughlin; Court system; P.D.
4. Adventure Based Education
5. National alternatives

~~Send~~ ~~Chochsin~~ - Bankruptcy; Schedule

5. CRIMES

READY TO WRITE

- 1. Alaska and Federal Crime Reports
- 2. Memo from Leg. Research

Need; set Appt.

NEED MORE INFORMATION

6. Sentencing AND BAIL Practices

- 1. Need to talk to Rubenstein and Terry White, Court system
- 2. Need to read Bail Practices Materials.
- 3. Need to send for other districts + get Anchorage's schedule.

7. Court of Appeals

NEED MORE INFORMATION

- 1. ABA report - get from Court System
- 2. Leg Affairs Memo - NEED.
- 3. Finance Report - Judith Panero - have administrative Appeals - should go to Sup. Ct.

8. Exemptions Act

9. Drugs

ask Rocky

final status

Bills - drugs, court of Appeals APSC.



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Dear Charlie:

As Rocky and I returned from Sitka yesterday after attending the Bar Association Meetings and the Judicial Conference and I will be leaving tomorrow to visit my mother in Florida, I wanted to briefly let you know the status of the interim projects assigned to me.

Prior to leaving for Sitka, I did quickly outline the various issues contained in each of my projects. These various issues ~~ixkixkixkixkixkixkix~~ were obtained ^{from} by the remarks submitted by the committee members, conversations with you and a few of my own ideas. I enclose that outline for your comments. After compiling this outline, I discussed the various items with Legislative Research staff and we agreed as to what items they would handle and what I would handle on my own. Shortly thereafter, Legislative council determined to de-fund that research arm and that decision was later confirmed in Sitka yesterday. At the Legislative Council meeting in Sitka it was stated by Sen. Hohman that those research projects that the Research arm was in the midst of doing would be taken care of. I don't know if the projects that I assigned Research were on his list or if in fact ~~the statement will be found true~~ ^{that will be found true}. I have heard no word from Research as to the re-assignment of my projects or what they were able to complete before their termination. I will try to determine that information today.

My status report is as follows:

1. I plan to write a reports on the meetings in Sitka. This work will be completed while I am in Florida.
2. Law Enforcement-I was unable to speak with the head of training in Sitka while I was there as he was out of town. Legislative Research indicated that they had the budget and just had to type it up ~~for~~ in a report form. I have not heard from them on this point.
3. Free Attorneys-I have received some materials from ALSC, and have requested more information. This I expect to have in the office upon my return. Legislative Research ~~were~~ ^{was} to compile the PD stuff, but I don't know ~~what~~ ^{if} they were able to do ~~it~~ ^{anything}.
4. Alaska Exemption Act-I had obtained all the commentary while the session was on, and intend to do a sectional analysis while I am in Florida.

5. Integrated Bar vs. Non-integrated Bar. I have a report which was done during the session by research-legal. I was able to gather additional information and comments at the Bar Meeting and those will be included in my report on the Bar Meeting. Leg. Research was to write those 20 some states that have non-integrated bars to determine the methods by which discipline and admissions are handled. as the first report lacked ~~any details~~ any details. Because of their situation they said that they were going to write the letters and request that the information be sent directly to me. I don't know if they did this.

6. Product Liability. I got a copy of the proposed legislation and sent off to DC for additional information. A new version is contemplated to be published in June in the Federal reister. I intend to review this (as well as the Alaska case law in the area-there were three major opinions this past year from the AK. Supreme court) while I am in Florida. I expect that the draft I do in Florida will require additional supplements upon my return for I intend to solicit comments from those Alaskan attorneys who are involved in this area. I was able to identify one such attorney at the Bar Meeting.

7. Drugs. I hope to research the consitutionality of the delegation issue while in Florida and also review the ~~xxxx~~ 4 binders of materials that Research was able to compile for me prior to their termination. I also plan to complete the over-view of HB 479 which is in rough presently.

8. Juvenile Court-I have just recently obtained a "cost of keeping in insitution" study done by finance and Health and Social services last year. These materials will be reviewed while I am in Florida. I have also found out that Legislative Audit is presently doing a performance audit on the juvenile sytem. I hope to get in touch with them about that upon my return to the state.

9. Crimes. I have the statistics done by research while the session was on and will review these in Florida. I have other materials which I obatined during the judicial conference to incorporate.

10. Sentencing. The judicial conference provided some information and materials useful for this report. I hope to get the Judiciary's sub-committee's report on sentencing and drug offense upon my return to the state. Furthermore at the conference I found out that the Human Right Commssion's , Mr. Kemp, is studing pre-sentencing reports. I hope to get that as well upon my return.

My vacation plans are to leave tomorrow and to return to Juneau on July 11. I had made these plans prior to the decision about Research. I feel ~~xxxxxx~~ guilty about leaving, but am hesitant to change my plans because I got a money saving deal on the advance ticketing procedure. For that reaso. I am planing on doing as much as possible while I am home. If I believe that our project will suffer, I will return earlier than planned and just pay the extra. Some of that will depend upon how quickly I am able to get through with the work I am taking.

My address in Florida is: P.O. Box 182, Gulf Breeze, Florida 32561. My phone is 904-932-2870.

I hope that you can read this letter. Please excuse the errors, but I don't ~~want~~ want to waste the time to re-type it.

Upon my return to Juneau I plan to hire a typist to type the work I plan to do in Florida. I will send these to you for your comments.

One thing you should note. Someone at the Judicial Conference asked me if you were going to be ~~involved~~ involved in the selection of certain members on the sentencing commission established by HB 195 and 196. I believe that three members of the commission were to be selected by the Legislature.

I trust that you and ~~Pat~~ Pat are having a nice summer.

Sincerely yours,



Margaret W. Berck