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For further information call Senator Parr's office at 456-8925.

The Senate Health, Education and Social Services Committee will be holding a public hearing on September 12, from 9 am til 5 pm, in the borough building, 520 Fifth Avenue. The purpose of the meeting will be to take testimony on various aspects of health care in Alaska, and on House Bill 41. For further information call 456-8925.

Please run on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, if possible.
Thanks!

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DATE: September 1, 1981

TO: All interested parties

FROM: Senator Charlie Parr, Chairman ^{CP}
Senate Health, Education, and Social Services Committee

SUBJ: Forthcoming hearing in Fairbanks

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The Senate Health, Education, and Social Services Committee will be meeting in Fairbanks on Saturday, September 12, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., in the Borough Assembly Chambers at 520 Fifth Avenue.

The committee will be meeting in Fairbanks, as well as in several other communities around the state, to take public testimony on various aspects of health care and the health care delivery system in Alaska. Some topics of special interest to the committee include the statewide availability and accessibility of health care, emergency medical services, health systems agencies and the planning of health care, health regulatory boards, health education, wellness training and preventative medicine.

The committee is also interested in taking testimony on House Bill 41, regarding the health residents of the state. This proposed legislation has been referred to the Senate HESS Committee and will come up for action sometime during the next legislative session.

If you would like to comment on any of the above topics, or on any other subjects relating to health care in Alaska, please plan to attend this public hearing. If you have any questions about the hearing, or wish to submit written testimony to the committee, call 456-8925, weekdays, during business hours for further information.

Copies of House Bill 41 may be obtained in person or by mail from the Fairbanks Legislative Information Office, 315 Barnette Street, Room 101, telephone 452-4448.

CHP/dm

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DATE: August 18, 1981

TO: All interested parties

FROM: Senator Charlie Parr, Chairman *CP*
Senate Health, Education and Social Services Committee

SUBJ: Forthcoming public hearings

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* The Senate Health, Education and Social Services Committee will conduct public hearings *
* in the following communities during the interim to consider aspects of health care and *
* health care delivery systems within Alaska. *

All interested parties are invited to attend and present testimony.

For further information, please contact Sandra Stringer in Fairbanks at 456-8925 or
Nancy Deitrick in Juneau at 465-4907.

<u>FAIRBANKS</u>	<u>Saturday, September 12, 1981</u> 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	<u>Borough Assembly Chambers</u> 520 Fifth Avenue
<u>KENAI</u>	<u>Saturday, September 26, 1981</u> 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	<u>Borough Building</u>
<u>NOME</u>	<u>Saturday, November 7, 1981</u> 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	<u>City Hall</u>
<u>BETHEL</u>	<u>Saturday, November 14, 1981</u> 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	<u>Legislative Information Office</u>
<u>ANCHORAGE</u>	<u>Thurs., Friday, December 9-10, 1981</u> 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	<u>Committee work sessions only</u> <u>Legislative Information Office</u>
	<u>Saturday, December 11, 1981</u> 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	<u>Public hearing</u> <u>Legislative Information Office</u> <u>1024 W. 6th Avenue</u>

CHP:dm

QUESTIONS FOR INTERVIEW OF FBX SEN. CHARLIE PARR, CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE, REGARDING THE SAT. SEPT. 12 MEETING OF THE SENATE HESS COMMITTEE HERE IN FBX.

For further information call Drena McIntyre or Sandra Stringer at 456-8925.

1. What is the Senate Committee on Health, Education and Social Services? What kinds of work does the Committee do?
2. What is the purpose of the September 12 hearing here in Fairbanks?
3. Where will the public hearing be held?
4. What time?
5. Who are you encouraging to attend? Health care professionals? The general public?
6. What topics is the committee interested in taking testimony on?
7. Why are you interested in the health care system in Alaska at this time?
8. What are HSA's? (Alternatively: What are Health Systems Agencies?)
9. Why are you interested in public comment on the health care regulatory boards?
10. What is Emergency Medical Services?
11. Why should the state of Alaska be interested in looking into wellness training and preventative medicine?
12. What is the state presently doing to help assure good health care for Alaskans?
13. How accessible is health care for most Alaskans?
14. What are some of the special problems rural Alaskans face in obtaining adequate health care?
15. Are you planning to look into the affordability of health care in Alaska?
16. I understand the Senate Health, Education and Social Services Committee will be looking at a piece of legislation this next session that originated in the state House of Representatives... What is House Bill 41?
17. Do you expect this bill to pass your committee sometime this next session? Do you feel it needs to be modified, or is it acceptable as is?
18. Will you be asking for public comment on House Bill 41 at the meeting tomorrow?

19. Where can people get a copy of House Bill 41 before the meeting tomorrow?
20. Will other members of the legislature be present at the meeting tomorrow? Anyone from elsewhere in the state?
21. Is this the only meeting you'll be holding on health care in Alaska during the interim between legislative sessions?
22. What if someone wants to make comment on House Bill 41, or some other subject related to health care, but can't make it to the meeting tomorrow? Will you accept written comments?
23. Do you have any advise to listeners who might be interested in coming down to attend part of the meeting tomorrow, but who might be a little uncertain about what to expect or how to present testimony to a legislative committee?
24. Should people who might want to testify also prepare a written summary of their comments for the committee?
25. How long will each person be given to make comments?
26. The public hearing is scheduled tomorrow-Saturday-at the borough building for 9am til 5 pm...Is it necessary for someone who wants to make comments to plan to attend all day?
27. Do you have an agenda set according to time? For example, you only want to take testimony from 9 til 10 on topic "X"..?
28. Any further comments about tomorrow's meeting, or anything else regarding the Senate HESS Committee's work?

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The Senate Health, Education and Social Services Committee will be conducting a public hearing on Tuesday, December 15, 1981, from 9:30 a.m. til 4:30 p.m., at the Anchorage Legislative Information Office, 1024 West Sixth Avenue.

Any member of the public who wishes to make comments on aspects of health care in Alaska including availability and affordability of health care, emergency medical services, the health systems agencies, preventative medicine, or any similar topics is urged to attend this meeting. The Committee is particularly interested in any comments the public might wish to make regarding legislation that will come before it this spring including HB 41. Copies of all such legislation may be obtained free of charge by calling the Legislative Information Office at 278-3668.

Anyone who wishes to comment on health related subjects but is unable to attend the hearing on December 15 may submit written testimony to the Committee through the Legislative Information Office, or by writing the Senate HESS Committee, Pouch V, Juneau, Alaska 99811.

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→ Sandra — Fri Aug 7
sounds OK.
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Charlie —

I spoke to Nancy this morning & confirmed with her the dates & places we talked over yesterday. She is arranging places to meet in Kenai/Soldatna, Nome & Bethel. I have arranged for the Boro Assembly Chambers in Fbx, & the Legislative Office in Anchorage.

Nancy & I will talk again Monday a.m., then prepare:

* ① a memo to committee members with a copy of the schedule including times & places

* ② a copy of the schedule plus a letter to go to all other legislators

* We might want to originate the above in this office: Dreana could type them & get them out by this coming weekend (Fri Aug 14). We could also add a note regarding the existence & location of the office here in Fbx.

I suggest we put together a program schedule to be done by Aug 26-28, & Dreana could get that out the 27 & 28. ↓

That could serve as the basis of the
press releases & letters/calls to
interested parties in Fbx that
could start going out about the
same time for the Sept 12 meeting.
S.

northern alaska health resources association, inc.

DATE: September 01, 1981

TO: Sandra Stringer
Administrative Aide

SFP 2 1081

FROM: Charles M. Kaltenbach, Dr. P.H. 
Executive Director

RE: Topics For HESS Hearings

The following is a list of potential topics you may want to consider for creating interest and remarks from health-care consumers and providers:

1. Which health services should the State provide, and which ones should the private sector provide?
2. Should there be a State subsidy for health insurance coverage for all Alaskans, and, if so, what form should it take? (Example: HB 41)
3. What are the status and future of emergency medical services in Alaska?
4. How should local and regional health planning occur?
5. What should be done in the areas of prevention and health promotion?
6. How can health and human service program evaluation be improved?
7. What is occurring with coordination and communication in health and social services statewide?
8. What minimum set of services should be available to every Alaskan in his home community?
9. Are the personal costs of medical and dental care reasonable? What impact do health care costs have on families' other needs?
10. Are there needs for residential care services for handicapped children and adults?

CMK:flr

afternoon

serve all people in level I + II
communities

state - community health aide -
an assistant to the
~~the~~ itinerant health nurse

village health aides - IHS #
one aide - in Manley Hot Springs -
non Native & 80% of pop also
non Native

no trust responsibility for health
care - rather an "historical
relationships

^{MS} Manley, social security & "state grants"
to be

DHSS in 4/6 & also June

to → 5 weeks to make an initial
13 months to make a decision ^{decision}

Arturo - statewide training coordinator

stress cont of classroom
central dispatch

ask the legislature to
have MAST fly to the border

Chuck Kattenbach - speaking on
HSA's

HSA's eliminated for 1982 from
state budget

24 HSA's in US - 3 of these
in Alaska

(see if you can get position paper
health care figures

possibly provide evaluations of
health issues to the legislature.

municipality of Anchorage has its own
planning group for health

Michael Graf - med staff office of alcohol &
drug abuse - here in Hon

advocate of NAHIC +

afternoon III

Michael Graf, colt.

ref. HSA's - "can't have an agency
paying 'no' without some community
recognition"

statewide health coordinating
council

mini-block grant - Charles
suggests hand it in to us

Wayne Myers - rep. self

ref. Partnow's comments on how
well things work in NW territories

WHO - surprised Alaska

WHO - delegation to Alaska in early
Nov.

high praise for health aides
accomplishments - but very
poorly paid - not eligible
for reimbursement thru Medicare
or health insurance

Afternoon IV

Wayne Myers - state pharmacy regs
need change to permit potent
drugs in villages

health aides not recognizable
as a state entity - because
Fed. funding

health related research in
Alaska virtually unfunded

alcoholism is at least as
genetically

"Murkowski Bill" - up to 25 million
per year - sec. Defense, Commerce
& Interior - fed receipts from
oil revenue - research to assist
resource extraction

inquiries - office in June

suggest put \$ in ACSF for
research in medicinal abuse
specifying intent

Paul Sherry *

Kaltenbach

NATRA annual board mtg - Oct 2/3 Fbks Clinic

K - critical mass 3 people on staff

S - focus on problems not facility-oriented

S - looking for consensus in state as to what

HSA's do and fund them accordingly

K - SOADA rep in Fbks for N Region

S - Wayne Myers, Minnie Dixon on rural care

Kenneth
27/10/92

P.S. note Sept. 1 appt. in schedule book
can you make it? yes NO - Tues thru
Fri - PM
if so, I will call her to confirm ...

Charlie. -

Please look at the following schedule
for publicity for the Sept. 12 meeting. I
should call back Monday Aug 31 to confirm
with the various stations if you wish to appear
on the following:

① yes NO KUAC "access" 5-10 min taped interview
to be filmed any time
after 6:30pm Tues. Sept. 8
in KUAC studios (if yes,
what time Tues. night?)
What time? 6:30
Jim Hall 6:45 - come
to KUAC -
10 min.
Called to remind Charlie at 2:45 pm Tues. - spoke to Charlie the younger
Confirmed Sept 4 with Steve Smith

② yes NO KFAR Problem Corner - prob. 1/2 hr.
from 11-11:30 am Fri
Sept 11 - live
~~Charlie~~
Sandra
Nancy

③ yes NO KFAR-TV public service prog.
to be aired live 11:30am -
12:30 Fri Sept. 11
Charlie

✓ Also
we need to define/refine the
agenda for the Fbx public hearing &
do so by Mon. Aug. 31 so that I can

get some PSAs together, plus some general publicity info to take to the newspapers & write up in the form of a memo to post at the hospital, etc.

* Charlie, you need to draft a letter of invitation to the hearing to be sent by Drena to various people in Fbx — Partnow, etc. — or, an invitation could be phoned.

We also need to make up a list of such people.

Nancy is arriving Thurs. night. I will pick her up & get her squared away in the hotel. I expect to spend Friday ~~gone~~ going over the questionnaire with her, etc.

Everything else seems to be flowing ok.

S.

Aug. 28

★ confirm Charlie's Radio + TV ^{schedule}
Aug 31 Mon (S) narrow down topics for Sept 12 meeting - ^{OK} accessibility & affordability - letter drafted to miss. people who should get personal invitation ^{OK} general press release drafted ^{OK} list of people for personal (phoned or written) invitation compiled ^{OK}

Sept. 1 Tues (D) ^{OK} type all of above; mail out those that need to be mailed

Sept. 2 Wed (D) ^{OK} phone any invitations to be phoned

Sept. 3 Thurs (S) ^{OK} take articles to All Alaska Weekly, & 2 SA's to ^(Sept 8) KATK ^{Fri} speak to Geoff Kennedy - ^{↑ Spoke to him Fri Sept 4 - call on Sept 8}

Sept. 4 Fri (S) ^{OK} get info around to be posted - at hospital, public health clinic, WATSON, etc. ^{OK}

Sept 5 Sa }
Sept 6 S } holidays
Sept 7 m }

Sept. 8 Tues ⑤ ^{Also KIAK}
PSAs to KUAC, KFAK & KFRB
Charlie tapes Tues night

↓
Sept. 9 Wed ⑤ Ann Spink - news story
News music - news story

Sept 10 Thurs ① (1/2?)
⑤ Sandra music running
around - pick up
Nancy at airport 7pm

Sept 11 Fri ①
⑤ *S - get key toborough bldg.*
* Charlie - Problem Concert
norm to 12:30 prog. KFAK TV

Sept 12 Sa ⑤ NESH meeting

Radio / TV / newspapers / newsletters

News Miner

456-6661

contact Sue Lewis, city editor

2-3
pm

Sue says get a story re. the meeting; topics
to be discussed to her by Sept 9 (Wed) for
printing Sept 10 or 11

*ALSO - city news in brief

All Ala.'s Weekly Tom Snapp ed.

456-6426

get short article to Tom by Fri Sept 4
for feature in paper published on Sept. 11

Newsletters -

NATHIA &

The medical records

assn. newsletter - OK -

state wide

Radio/TV/newspapers/newstellers

KIAK
452-1931

Pete Van Nost - will accept PSA's -
prefer about 15 sec - would
be happy to run 2-3 short
ones in rotation
get typescript of PSA's to
him by Sept 3

*ALSO

contact Geoff Kennedy ref.
news story

KUAC FM & TV
479-7191

get short summary of
meeting info to front desk
by Sept 8, for play Sept 9, 10 & 11

Steve Smith

- call again ref. access, etc.

Sept. 8 - Tues.
evening 6:30 or later
Charlie

to be aired 9pm Thurs 10th
2:30pm Fri 11th

*call Steve Smith back Aug 31 to confirm

KFAR radio
452-1000

Problem Corner - set up
for Sept 11 (Fri) - Charlie
11 - NOON - to discuss
health delivery systems, etc

NB - maybe
only 1/2 hr, if we do
KFAR (?) TV
on Sept 11
see next
page

Call Jack & Van Nost to confirm

ALSO - PSA's - 1 to 2 days in advance Sept 8?

Radio / TV / newspapers / newsletters

KFAR (?) TV

452-2125

confirmed
Sept 4 with
Dec Dee Sp.

Spoke to Dec Dee Spencer

ref. TV appearance from
noon - 12:30 on Fri Sept 11

(see notes on KFAR radio)

Charlie - must be there by
11:30 am

* needs 25 questions ref. topic
to be discussed several
days in advance. * (Sept. 8?)
call Dec Dee back to confirm

KTVF / KFIRB (?)

452-5121

PS 45 - 1 day lead - Sept 8 or 9

Anne Spink - news story
C drop off copy Sept 8 or 9

possibly John Hilliard -
Interior magazine - but
we may not have enough
lead time - also, Town Courier?

KJNP - AM & FM

76x

Sa Sept 12 - Boys Assembly Chambers 9-5
conferred with Robbie
* must come in a day or two
early to fill out form + get key
452-4761

Anch

9-5

Th, F + Sa

8-10 people TH + F

Dec. 10, 11 + 12

1024 W. 6th

278-3668

DATES confirmed with Charlie Aug
& Nancy Aug 7

Possible schedule - revised after talking
with Nancy 7/22/81

come in
fill out
form

9-5

Xoro assembly chambers
Bobbie

Sa Sept. 12 - Fbx

Sa Sept. 26 - ^{Kenau} Soldatna (Oct 3)

Sa Oct. 17 - Nome (Oct 24)

Sa Nov. 14 - Bethel

Th, F, Sa Dec. 10, 11 & 12 - Anch

~~Planning
Group
Black
as much as possible~~

dates + places okayed with Charlie 8/6/81

- ① get copy to committee members
- ② separate memo/letter sent to all legislators - Senate & E.S

com. will be conducting hearings according to the schedule below

com
concerning
regulation
of health
care state

gam? Where & times - airline schedules
PSA & EMS / H.S.A. / hospitals

notification - Sen HESS meeting - FBX

Lee Russell (?) - Social worker

(Aug 27) Vicki Campbell - FHM Hosp. - medical records section - Vicki Campbell very cooperative - offers to put meeting schedule in Medical Records Schedule newsletter - get schedule plus 1-2 paragraphs to her by Thurs Aug 27

Marilyn Waugh - Tom Mingen's office - she will check with Mingen to see if it would be appropriate to distribute memo at Sept 1 exec. com. staff meeting

NA:KKA - called to double check if schedule had been distributed to them for publication in their newsletter (statewide)

Battelle group

Sharon Blackwell
Golden
488-6866