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**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**SENATE**

FURTHER: Finance

1/15/82

Date: 1-15-82

Mr. President:

The Committee on HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICES has had SB 660

making a special appropriation to the Dept. of Health and Social Services for the Jordan Creek Birth Center

under consideration and (a majority of the committee) (the committee) reports it back with the following recommendations:

- do pass  do not pass
- do pass with attached amendments(s)
- replace with CS for \_\_\_\_\_  same title  
 new title
- and recommends \_\_\_\_\_
- AND attaches a "Letter of Intent"  New Fiscal Note
- reports it back without recommendation
- referred to the \_\_\_\_\_ Committee

MEMBERS SIGNING  
DO PASS

MEMBERS HAVING  
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

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CHAIRMAN

# JORDAN CREEK BIRTH CENTER

JAN-JUNE 1982

FIRST 6 MONTHS

## PROJECTED COSTS

## PROJECTED INCOME

RENT	7,350
DEBT	900
EQUIPMENT LEASE	900
GENERAL OPERATION	6,000
BUILDING IMPROVEMENT	<u>4,350</u>
	19,500

STATE OF ALASKA GRANT	10,000
CLIENTS (9 BIRTHS)	
FULL PAYMENT (7)	9,000
1/2 PAYMENT (2)	1,500
CONTRIBUTION	<u>4,500</u>
	25,000

CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE	8,000
BIRTH CENTER COORDINATOR	—
RECEPTIONIST-SECRETARY	7,040
BIRTH ASSISTANTS	1,575
CHILD BIRTH EDUCATION	900
FICA	<u>1,088</u>
	18,603

TOTAL COSTS                      38,103

TOTAL INCOME                      25,000

TOTAL DEFICIT    13,103

JULY - DEC. 1982

SECOND 6 MONTHS

PROJECTED COSTS

PROJECTED INCOME

RENT	12,000
EQUIPMENT PURCHASE	5,000
GENERAL OPERATION	9,000
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	<u>2,000</u>
	28,000

CLIENTS (43 BIRTHS)	56,250
FULL PAYMENT (32)	
1/2 PAYMENT (11)	

CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE	18,000
BIRTH CENTER COORDINATOR	10,000
RECEPTIONIST-SECRETARY	8,320
BIRTH ASSISTANTS	9,120
CHILD BIRTH EDUCATION	2,000
BOOKKEEPER	1,500
CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE	10,000
FICA	<u>3,860</u>
BENEFITS	<u>4,800</u>
	67,600

TOTAL COSTS 95,600

TOTAL INCOME 56,250

TOTAL DEFICIT 39,350

JAN-JUNE DEFICIT	13,103
JULY-DEC DEFICIT	<u>39,350</u>
TOTAL DEFICIT	52,453

JAN - DEC. 1983

PROJECTED COSTS

RENT	24,000
EQUIPMENT LEASE	2,160
GENERAL OPERATION	9,000
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	<u>3,000</u>
	38,160

CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIVES	56,000
BIRTH CENTER COORDINATOR	20,000
RECEPTIONIST-SECRETARY	18,000
BIRTH ASSISTANTS	23,040
CHILD BIRTH EDUCATION	5,000
BOOKKEEPER	5,000
FICA	8,320
BENEFITS	<u>14,400</u>
	149,760

TOTAL 187,920

PROJECTED INCOME

CLIENTS (144)	189,000
FULL PAYMENT (108)	
1/2 PAYMENT (36)	

TOTAL INCOME 189,000

POSITION PAPER

SENATE BILL NO. 660

For an Act entitled: "An Act making a special appropriation to the Department of Health and Social Services for the Jordan Creek Birth Center; and providing for an effective date".

Senate Bill No. 660 provides for the appropriation of \$51,000 from general fund to the Department of Health and Social Services for payment as a grant to Jordan Creek Birth Center for operating cost and costs related to establishment of the Center.

DISCUSSION

Family Centered Birth, Inc., after completion of a study supported by the Department of Health and Social Services, concluded that many families in the Juneau community desired access to a free-standing Birth Center as an alternative to physician care and hospital delivery.

In their Certificate of Need Application Family Centered Birth, Inc. anticipates revenues to be \$100,000 the first year, \$135,000 the second year and \$200,000 the third year. Family Centered Birth, Inc. states in their application that they will not seek state or local government money to start or operate the maternity center.

The provision of a safe, alternative to hospital delivery in Juneau has been supported by the Department through technical assistance and consultation through the IPO Project, and through \$7,500 in grants to Family Centered Birth, Inc., for research in FY 81, and through \$10,000 in grants for operating cost in FY 82.

POSITION

The department supports making alternative maternity services available. The department believes that Jordan Creek Birth Center should receive this appropriation as one-time only grant to be utilized for equipment, supplies and initial operating expenses.

Recommended by: E.S. Rabeau  
E.S. Rabeau, M.D., Director  
Division of Public Health

Date: Feb 1, 1982

Approved by: Helen D. Beirne  
Helen D. Beirne, Commissioner  
Department of Health & Social  
Services

Date: 2-2-82

THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

FISCAL NOTE

I. REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No. SENATE BILL NO. 660  
 Title "An Act making a special appropriation..."  
 Requested by Commissioner's Office Date 1/18/82

II. FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected Department of Health and Social Services  
 Program Category Affected Health/Public Health  
 BRU, Program, Or Subprogram(s) Affected \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Note: If more than one budget component is affected, separate line-item amounts and funding for each component in the analysis section.)

EXPENDITURES (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 82	FY 83	FY 84	FY 85	FY 86	FY 87
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.	51,000	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>51,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

FUNDING (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 82	FY 83	FY 84	FY 85	FY 86	FY 87
GENERAL FUND	51,000	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER (Specify Source)	0	0	0	0	0	0

POSITIONS

	FY 82	FY 83	FY 84	FY 85	FY 86	FY 87
FULL TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
PART TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY	0	0	0	0	0	0

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

IV. DATE 1/20/82 PREPARED BY Vernellia Randall  
 AGENCY Dept. of Health & Social Services  
 Original: Legislative Finance PHONE 465-3104  
 cc: Budget and Management  
 Prime Sponsor (First Legislator Named)  
 33-001 (Rev. 12/81)

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Family-Centered Birth, Inc. of  
Juneau, Alaska  
announces  
the January, 1982 opening of the

# **JORDAN CREEK BIRTH CENTER**



2103 N. Jordan Ave.  
Juneau, Alaska

(across from Nugget Mall behind the  
1st National Bank of Anchorage)

Directed by  
The Board of Directors, FCBI  
Advisors to the Birth Center  
and  
Ms. Fran Kinkaid, Certified Nurse Midwife

Now accepting clients for comprehensive maternity care call **789-3938**  
for appointments and further information.

# Family-Centered Birth, Inc.

## of Juneau, Alaska

**Family Centered Birth, Inc.—Who are we?** We are a group of persons who have joined together because of a shared personal interest and commitment to family-centered maternity care. We are concerned with the physical, mental, emotional and social aspects of family-oriented maternity care—with primary emphasis on self-responsibility. Our primary goal is to establish an alternative maternity care center here in Juneau.

The concept of a birth center perhaps needs some clarification. A birth center is an extension of the home, not the hospital. It is a safe, warm and economical place for a family to share a family-centered birth experience. For Family-Centered Birth, Inc., the following provisions must be included:

Our Birth Center will:

- 1) provide comprehensive maternity care to low-medical risk women in a home-like, out-of-hospital setting;
- 2) provide birth as a safe, family-centered, and personally meaningful event;
- 3) regard the prospective parents as being primarily responsible for the event of birth; encourage this role;
- 4) provide information, explanation, and education on all aspects of pregnancy, birth, and becoming a parent;
- 5) lower health care costs for child-bearing families;
- 6) seek to uphold a philosophy of non-intervention in birth.

We are very much in the planning stages at this time, but would like to give you a general idea of the make-up of a birth center in Juneau. Therefore we have attached a rudimentary outline of our plans.

### Board of Directors:

Ms. Becky Bear  
Ms. Bonnie Lang  
Ms. Melinda Lee  
Ms. Mary Alice McKeen

### Advisors:

Ms. Margaret Crawford, Nurse-Midwife Advisor  
Ms. Pam Finley, Legal Advisor  
Mr. Richard Lee, Administrative Advisor  
Dr. Will McCreight, Medical Advisor

### Birth Center Plans (tentative as of January 1981)

- 1) **Services:** Comprehensive maternity care (prenatal, labor and birth, post-partum)  
Education opportunities (classes, discussions, library)  
Referral of high risk medical cases to a physician  
Routine lab work  
Newborn and infant check-ups  
Family planning
- 2) **Physical Plans:** The birth center will be located within a short drive of Bartlett Memorial Hospital (about 5 minutes). The center would provide a clean, home-like setting with safety back-up equipment and sufficient space for examination rooms, birthing rooms, living room, group meeting room, office, bathrooms, laundry, and kitchen facilities.
- 3) **Staffing:** The birth center will be directed by a certified nurse-midwife. Other staff would include consulting physician(s), nurses, and/or midwives. Volunteers for reception, clerical, and teaching will be solicited. The board of directors will take an active role with administration.
- 4) **Equipment:** General Furnishings and birth supplies; oxygen, resuscitation equipment, emergency drugs, radiant heated bassinet, external fetal monitor, IV equipment with blood expanders.
- 5) **Clientele:** Rigorous screening and referral of any high-risk pregnancy to a physician at any point of pregnancy, labor, or birth. Controlled caseloads to provide personalized and quality maternity care.
- 6) **Support Services:** We will seek outside services for the following:  
Emergency during labor and birth—Bartlett Memorial Hospital (BMH)  
Extensive Lab Work—BMH  
Physician back-up in case of transfer to BMH  
Physician available for 24 hour telephone consultation  
Transportation by private car or van will always be present for emergency transfer
- 7) **Finances:** The birth center will be private, non-profit.  
Clients will be charged for services rendered. Bills can also be worked off if prior arrangements are made.  
Third party reimbursement will be sought (legislation required right now)  
Monies available from state or local sources will be explored.

Any inquiries about our plans are welcome. We are looking for support, volunteers, a residence, and advice. Write or call:

Family-Centered Birth, Inc.  
1670 Evergreen  
Juneau, Alaska 99801  
907/586-3332



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**Family-  
Centered  
Birth, Inc.**

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**of Juneau,  
Alaska**

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130 seaward street  
Juneau 99801

(907) 586-2952

February 3, 1982

Senator Charles Parr

Senate HESS Committee

State Capital Building

Juneau, Alaska

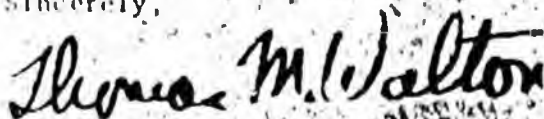
Dear Senator Parr,

I am writing to support Senate Bill 660 and to indicate my support of the Jordan Creek Birth Center.

The Jordan Creek Birth Center is a prototype in the State of this kind of service for people wanting an alternative to hospital or home births. The Center promises to be beneficial to all of Southeast.

Please assure the initial success of this first free standing birth center in the State by giving it the financial support that is requested.

Sincerely,



Thomas M. Walton

Executive Director

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8760 #9 Trinity  
Geneau 29801

Debra Keller → from Geneau

Support SB660 →

Birthing Center \$1200 -- that is  
needed w/ the increase of medical  
costs -

also a sliding fee for those who  
can't afford.

- As of now this is not available  
in Geneau.

A prototype for other Birthing Center  
throughout the state - study this  
one to see how it works.

Tom Walton - Juneau -

Alaska Holistic Health Assoc  
Supports SB 660 -

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in favor of  
SB 660

- Sharon Jones  
- (nurse) -  
9421 Berners Ave  
Inu AK.

1:34 pm

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HB 660

Lewis Keller  
8760 Trinity  
Juneau, AK.

