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COMMITTEE REPORT

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FURTHER:

5/12/83

Date: APRIL 2, 1984

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICES has had HB 412

"An Act relating to adoption medical records; and providing for an effective date."

under consideration and reports it back as follows:

- do pass do not pass
- do pass with attached amendments(s)
- replace with CS for HB 412 (HESS) same title
 new title
- and recommends THAT THE HESS CS DO PASS.
- AND attaches a "Letter of Intent" New Fiscal Note
 Zero Fiscal Note Attached
- reports it back without recommendation
- referred to the _____ Committee

MEMBERS SIGNING
DO PASS

MEMBERS HAVING
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Richard Vell
T.H. Masters
Albe Davis
John Kopera
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Max Tracker
 CHAIRMAN

HOUSE BILL NO. 412

FISCAL NOTE

SUMMARY

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IV. ANALYSIS

A. Assumptions:

There would be no cost impact.

B. Program Summary:

No new positions would be necessary

C. Computations:

N/A

D. Economic Impact:

There would be no economic impact.

E. Impact on Local Governments:

There would be no impact on local governments.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT
HEALTH EXAMINATION HISTORY

DATE _____

FULL NAME		ADDRESS	
SOCIAL SECURITY NO. (OR EQUIV.)		DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH
AGE	SEX	MARITAL STATUS	PROSPECTIVE POSITION AND NATURE OF WORK
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HAVE YOU TRAVELLED OUTSIDE U.S.A. - WHERE - WHEN*		WILL THIS POSITION ENTAIL DUTY OUTSIDE U.S.A.? <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES - WHERE -	

FAMILY HISTORY - <i>Check if any near relatives had:</i> <input type="checkbox"/> TUBERCULOSIS <input type="checkbox"/> HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE <input type="checkbox"/> HEART DISEASE <input type="checkbox"/> STROKES <input type="checkbox"/> DIABETES <input type="checkbox"/> CANCER <input type="checkbox"/> MIGRAINE <input type="checkbox"/> KIDNEY DISEASE <input type="checkbox"/> NERVOUS TROUBLES	AGE OF FATHER	IF DEAD - AGE AT DEATH	CAUSE OF DEATH		
	AGE OF MOTHER	IF DEAD - AGE AT DEATH	CAUSE OF DEATH		
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<input type="checkbox"/> PSYCHIATRIC DISORDERS	<input type="checkbox"/> EAR INFECTION	<input type="checkbox"/> BLOOD TROUBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> HEART TROUBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ANY OTHER DISEASE

HAVE YOU EXPERIENCED WHAT YOU CONSIDER UNUSUAL OR EXCESSIVE SYMPTOMS, SUCH AS:

	WHEN	HOW LONG		WHEN	HOW LONG
POOR HEARING			VOMITING		
COUGH			PAIN OR CRAMPS		
COUGHING UP BLOOD			CHANGE IN BOWEL ACTION		
LUNG TROUBLE			TROUBLE WITH URINATING		
CHEST PAIN			SWELLING		
SHORTNESS IN BREATH			PERSISTENT LUMPS		
PALPITATION			PERSISTENT SORES		
LOSS OR GAIN IN WEIGHT			BACKACHE		
INDIGESTION			INSOMNIA		
NAUSEA			NERVOUS BREAKDOWN		

LIST ALL ACCIDENTS, INJURIES, SURGICAL OPERATIONS, DATES OF EACH, ANY RESULTING DEFECTS OR DISABILITIES AND EXTENSIVE CONFINEMENT FOR ILLNESS OR INJURY:

HAVE YOU HAD ANY ILLNESS OR CONSULTED A PHYSICIAN IN THE PAST YEAR?

NO YES - EXPLAIN -
 DURATION _____ NAME OF PHYSICIAN _____

MILITARY SERVICE DATA	TIME IN SERVICE	HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REJECTED BY AN ARMY - NAVY PHYSICAL EXAMINATION?	HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REJECTED ON A LIFE INSURANCE EXAMINATION?
	FROM _____ TO _____ BRANCH OF SERVICE _____	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
		<input type="checkbox"/> MEDICAL DISCHARGE <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER	INJURIES IN SERVICE

DO YOU USE ANY DRUGS, SEDATIVES, OR LAXATIVES? YES NO
 TO WHAT EXTENT DO YOU USE: ALCOHOL _____ TOBACCO _____
 DO YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF IN GOOD HEALTH? YES NO

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN VACCINATED FOR THE FOLLOWING? (Check Yes or No)

	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
SMALL POX			TETANUS			DIPHTHERIA
TYPHOID			INFLUENZA			POLIO

FOR WOMEN ONLY DO YOU STILL MENSTRUATE? YES NO
 MEN-STRUAL CYCLE DURATION _____ DAYS
 PERIOD EVERY _____ DAYS
 LAST MENSTRUAL PERIOD WAS _____
 PAINFUL PERIOD YES NO

IF YOU BELIEVE THAT ANY CONDITIONS OF YOUR WORK MAY HAVE ANY EFFECT ON YOUR HEALTH, EXPLAIN TO EXAMINING PHYSICIAN.

WHAT COMPENSATION, SETTLEMENT OR AWARDS HAVE YOU RECEIVED FROM ANY SOURCE FOR PERSONAL INJURIES OR ILLNESS?

FROM WHOM: _____

REASONS: _____

DATES: _____ AMOUNTS PAID: _____

SUMMARY OF HISTORY BY PHYSICIAN: _____

I certify that the above information is correct.

 (SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT) (SIGNATURE OF EXAMINING PHYSICIAN)

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY PLEASE NOTIFY	RELATIONSHIP
ADDRESS	TELEPHONE NO.
NAME AND ADDRESS OF FAMILY PHYSICIAN	TELEPHONE NO.

NAME _____ DEPT. _____

REASON FOR EXAMINATION	AGE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	DESIRED WEIGHT	HAIR COLOR
BLOOD PRESSURE	TEMPERATURE	PULSE RATE-BEFORE EXERCISE		PULSE RATE-AFTER EXERCISE	
VISION - NEAR (JAEGER) R _____ L _____	VISION - FAR (JAEGER) R/20 _____ L/20 _____	CORRECTED - NEAR R _____ L _____		CORRECTED - FAR R/20 _____ L/20 _____	
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NOSE	MOUTH	TEETH	HEAD		
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CHEST: LUNGS: BREASTS:
 ANY DEFORMITIES OF THE CHEST WALL.
 NOTE: RALES, WHEEZES, DULLNESS, RESONANCE, EMPHYSEMA, TUBERCULOSIS, ANY ABNORMALITY.

HEART:
 NOTE: MURMURS, ARRHYTHMIAS, ENLARGEMENTS, IF ORGANIC DISEASE PRESENT, EVIDENCE OF FAILURE. IS IT FULLY COMPENSATED?

ABDOMEN:
 SCARS, MASSES, PALPABLE
 VISCERA, LIVER, KIDNEYS, SPLEEN

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 INGUINAL R _____ L _____ OTHER (DESCRIBE) _____ TRUSS WORN YES NO

NUTRITION POSTURE

GENERAL APPEARANCE AND DEVELOPMENT GOOD FAIR POOR
 SPINE

SKIN GASTROINTESTINAL ULCERATION OR OTHER DISEASE; EXPLAIN: YES NO

PERIPHERAL VESSELS (RADIAL, DORSALIS PEDIS POST. TIBIAL - PULSATION AND SCLEROSIS)

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HANDS AND ARMS FEET AND LEGS

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REFLEXES - RHOMBERG
 POSITIVE NEGATIVE
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 HYPERACTIVE RIGHT LEFT
 ABSENT RIGHT LEFT

DO YOU FIND ANY EVIDENCE OF OPERATIONS, INJURIES OR ILLNESSES NOT LISTED BY APPLICANT, AND "OTHERS" SUCH AS EMOTIONAL REACTIONS? LIST AND GIVE DATES.

STATE OF ALASKA
THE LEGISLATURE

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS AGENCY


POUCHY STATE CONTROL
JUNEAU, ALASKA 99811
907 465 3800

MEMORANDUM

February 10, 1984

SUBJECT: Sectional Analysis of CS for HB 412

TO: Representative Mae Tischer
Chairman, House HESS

FROM: Richard C. Folta 
Legislative Counsel

Section 1 adds a new article on adoption information in Chapter 50 of Title 18 concerning vital statistics.

Access to available nonidentifying information on previous medical conditions and treatment, immunization records and other medical information relevant to the health care of a genetically-related person would be permitted adoptive parents and adopted persons beginning January 1, 1985. The department, child adoption agency or a person authorized by law, such as a guardian appointed by a court, to place a person for adoption would be required to maintain and furnish the state register the above information on a standardized form prepared by the Department of Health and Social Services. Finally, certain key words are defined in a definition section.

Section 2 would require the clerk of the Superior Court, the above department, or a person placing a person for adoption, to obtain the above information directly from each known biological parent for the state register.

The privacy of biological parents of an adopted person would not be violated by release of "medical history" under this bill to adoptive parents for the health purposes of an adopted person.

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POSITION PAPER

HOUSE BILL NO. 412

Page 1

"An Act relating to adoption medical records"

House Bill No. 412 amends the Vital Statistics Act and the adoption statute to require collection of nonidentifying information on the health history of each biological parent, adopted person, and blood relatives of each biological parent, if available. The Department agrees that this information could be useful and would support the enactment of such legislation. However, there are some changes we propose, as follows:

Page 1, line 11: "If the information is available" be changed to "whatever information is available, the state registrar shall, upon request,..." This change is suggested because in all cases, after January 1, 1984, there will be some information available, even if it is on only the biological mother. The words "upon request" should be added because without it the meaning indicates that the information would be automatically provided. The information should be provided only if the adoptive parents or the adoptee want it. Many adoptions are by a step-parent so the information is already known.

Page 1, line 17: Change "prepared by the commissioner" to "prescribed and furnished by the bureau" to be consistent with similar provisions of AS 18.50.

Page 1, line 19: Change "commissioner" to "department"

Page 1, line 20: Change "or a person authorized by law or regulation to place a person for adoption" to "or the person placing a child for adoption." This change is suggested because not all persons are required to be authorized by law or regulation to place a person for adoption. An example would be an attorney who handles only one adoption a year. This change is consistent with the wording on page 2, line 22.

? Page 1, line 27: Delete the words "request the commissioner to" since it is the Department's position that this function should lie with the state registrar.

Page 1, line 29: Change "records of the commissioner" to "records of the department."

POSITION PAPER

HOUSE BILL NO. 412

Page 2

- Page 2, line 1: Change as indicated for page 1, line 20.
- Page 2, line 3: Change as indicated for page 1, line 20.
- Page 2, line 6: Change as indicated for page 1, line 20.

Finally, it is suggested that number 4 be deleted from page 2, line 16 because commissioner is defined under Sec. 18.50.030 and number 5 be deleted from page 2, line 18 because state registrar is defined under Sec. 18.50.370 (11) and that the definitions for Chapter 50 which appear under Sec. 18.50.370 be combined with those under Sec. 18.50.520.

With these changes the Department of Health and Social Services would support passage of House Bill No. 412.

RECOMMENDED BY: Joan P. Brooks
 JOAN P. BROOKS
 STATE REGISTRAR
 BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

DATE: May 24, 1983

RECOMMENDED BY: Daniel J. Middleton
 DANIEL J. MIDDLETON
 DIRECTOR
 DIVISION OF PLANNING, POLICY,
 AND PROGRAM EVALUATION

DATE: May 24, 1983

APPROVED BY: Robert London Smith
 ROBERT LONDON SMITH, PH.D.
 COMMISSIONER

DATE: 5/24/83

(b) An owner of a restaurant or tavern shall provide and maintain sanitary toilet accommodations for public use. (§ 1 ch 58 SLA 1974; am § 1 ch 175 SLA 1975; am § 1 ch 78 SLA 1976; § 45 ch 59 SLA 1982)

Effect of amendments. — The 1982 amendment, effective May 28, 1982, repealed former subsection (a) which read "An owner of a restaurant or tavern in operation on August 15, 1976 shall provide

and maintain no less than one sanitary toilet accommodation for public use, and shall comply with this requirement within 180 days after August 15, 1976."

Special Acts and

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Article 3. Facilities and Special Events Open to General Public.

Section

200. Toilet facilities required

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Sec. 18.35.200. Toilet facilities required. An owner of public facilities or sponsor of special events open to the general public shall where practical provide and maintain at the facilities or events sanitary toilet accommodations for public use whether the facilities or events are permanent or temporary. No charge may be required for use of a toilet facility in any public place. (§ 1 ch 58 SLA 1974; am § 46 ch 59 SLA 1982)

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Effect of amendments. — The 1982 amendment, effective May 28, 1982, deleted the former second sentence which read "an owner of a permanent facility in

operation on August 1, 1974 has two years from that date to comply with the requirement of this section."

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Chapter 50. Vital Statistics Act.

Article

3. Registration Requirements, Procedures and Certificates (§§ 18.50.210, 18.50.211)
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Article 3. Registration Requirements, Procedures and Certificates.

Section

210. Court reports of adoption
211. Certificate of birth for foreign-born adopted person

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Sec. 18.50.210. Court reports of adoption. (a) For each adoption decreed by a court in the state, the court shall require the preparation of a report of adoption on a form prescribed and furnished by the bureau. The report shall include the facts necessary to locate and identify the original certificate of birth, if any, of the person adopted. If the person being adopted was born in the state, the report shall provide information necessary to establish a new certificate of birth. If the person being adopted was born outside the United States, the report

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shall provide findings, if requested by the adoptive parents, or other information necessary to establish a certificate of birth. The report shall identify the order of adoption, and be certified by the court or the clerk.

(b) The petitioner or his attorney shall furnish with the petition for adoption information in the possession of the petitioner necessary to prepare the adoption report. The social, welfare agency or other person concerned shall supply the court with additional information in his possession necessary to complete the report. The furnishing of the information is a prerequisite to the issuance of a final decree in the matter.

(c) Whenever an adoption decree is amended or vacated, the court shall prepare a report on a form prescribed and furnished by the bureau. The report shall include the facts necessary to identify the original adoption report and the facts amended in the adoption decree necessary to properly amend the original report, or the new certificate of birth if already established.

(d) Before the 11th day of each calendar month, the court shall forward to the bureau reports of decrees of adoption, including those vacated or amended, which were entered in the preceding month, together with the related reports the bureau requires.

(e) When the bureau receives a report of an adoption, or vacation or amendment of an adoption from a court for a person born in the United States but outside the state, a copy shall be made for the bureau's files and the original shall be forwarded to the appropriate registration authority in the state of birth. (§ 17 ch 118 SLA 1960; am §§ 1, 2 ch 76 SLA 1982)

Effect of amendments. — The 1982 amendment, in subsection (a), divided the former second sentence into the present second, third and fifth sentences, inserted "if any" in the present second sentence, added "If the person being adopted was born in the state, the report" to the beginning of the present third sentence,

deleted "of the person adopted" from the end of the present third sentence, added the present fourth sentence, and substituted "The report" for "and" at the beginning of the present fifth sentence. The amendment also inserted "in the United States but" near the middle of subsection (e).

Sec. 18.50.211. Certificate of birth for foreign-born adopted person. (a) Subject to the limitation in (b) of this section, the state registrar shall issue a certificate of birth for a person born outside the United States whose adoptive parents are residents of the state at the time of the adoption, upon request by the adopted person, or by the adopted person's adoptive parent or guardian that the certificate be made, and upon receipt of an adoption report as provided in AS 18.50.210 together with

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(2) if there is no original certificate of birth, the findings of the court under AS 20.15.170(b), unless the adoption proceeding is commenced before August 31, 1982, in which case an affidavit of an adoptive parent setting out the true or probable date and place of birth and parentage of the adopted person must accompany the adoption report.

(b) The state registrar may not issue a certificate of birth under this section if the adopted person for whom the certificate is intended is 18 or more years of age at the time the request for the certificate is made.

(c) A certificate of birth issued under this section shall be in a form prescribed by the state registrar and shall state that it is not evidence of United States citizenship.

(d) Upon proof of naturalization an amended certificate of birth shall be issued under this section that deletes the statement that the certificate is not evidence of United States citizenship. (§ 3 ch 76 SLA 1982)

Article 4. Records.

Section:

290. Corrections and amendments

Sec. 18.50.290. Corrections and amendments. (a) A certificate or record registered by the bureau may be amended only in accordance with this chapter and the regulations the department adopts to protect the integrity and accuracy of vital statistics records.

(b) A certificate that is amended under this section shall be marked "amended," with the date of amendment. A summary description of the evidence submitted in support of the amendment shall be endorsed on or made a part of the record. The department shall prescribe by regulation the conditions under which additions or minor corrections may be made to vital statistics records without the certificate being considered amended.

(c) Upon receipt of a certified copy of a court order changing the name of a person born in the state or a person born outside the United States whose adoptive parents are residents of the state at the time of the adoption and upon request of the person or the person's parent, guardian, or legal representative, the state registrar shall amend the certificate of birth to reflect the new name.

(d) When a certificate is corrected or amended under this section, the state registrar shall instruct the local custodian of the copy of the certificate to make the changes in the copy. (§ 25 ch 118 SLA 1960; am § 4 ch 76 SLA 1982)

Effect of amendments. — The 1982 amendment inserted "or a person born outside the United States whose adoptive parents are residents of the state at the time of the adoption" and substituted "the person's" for "his" in subsection (c).

Replaced by SLA 82

Sec. 18.50.210. Court reports of adoption.

(a) For each adoption decreed by a court in the state, the court shall require the preparation of a report of adoption on a form prescribed and furnished by the bureau. The report shall include the facts necessary to locate and identify the original certificate of birth of the person adopted; shall provide information necessary to establish a new certificate of birth of the person adopted; and shall identify the order of adoption, and be certified by the court or the clerk.

(b) The petitioner or his attorney shall furnish with the petition for adoption information in the possession of the petitioner necessary to prepare the adoption report. The social, welfare agency or other person concerned shall supply the court with additional information in his possession necessary to complete the report. The furnishing of the information is a prerequisite to the issuance of a final decree in the matter.

(c) Whenever an adoption decree is amended or vacated, the court shall prepare a report on a form prescribed and furnished by the bureau. The report shall include the facts necessary to identify the original adoption report and the facts amended in the adoption decree necessary to properly amend the original report, or the new certificate of birth if already established.

(d) Before the 11th day of each calendar month, the court shall forward to the bureau reports of decrees of adoption, including those vacated or amended, which were entered in the preceding month, together with the related reports the bureau requires.

(e) When the bureau receives a report of an adoption, or vacation or amendment of an adoption from a court for a person born outside the state, a copy shall be made for the bureau's files and the original shall be forwarded to the appropriate registration authority in the state of birth. (§ 17 ch 118 SLA 1960)

Sec. 18.50.220. New certificate of birth. (a) The state registrar shall establish a new certificate of birth for a person born in the state, upon proper request that the certificate be made, and upon receipt of

- (1) an adoption report as provided in AS 18.50.210, or a certified copy of the decree of adoption from a court of competent jurisdiction in another state, together with the information necessary to identify the original certificate of birth and to establish the new certificate of birth; however, a new certificate of birth may not be established if so requested by the court decreeing the adoption, the adoptive parents, or the adopted person if he is of legal age; or
- (2) the evidence required by law and regulation proving that the person has been legitimated.

(b) When a new certificate of birth is established, the actual place and date of birth shall be shown. The new certificate shall be substituted for the original certificate of birth, and

Joyce Lanier
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HB 412 TITLE & SPONSOR SUMMARY

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AMENDED TITLE:

AN ACT RELATING TO ADOPTION MEDICAL RECORDS, AND PROVIDING
FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

PRIME SPONSOR: SZYNANSKI.

CO-SPONSORS: FRITZ, MALONE, KOPONEN.

CURRENT STATUS: 5/12/83 IN (H) HESS

REFERRAL: JUDICIARY

HB 412 HOUSE ACTION

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TO: House HESS Committee
FROM: *Mike Szymanski*
Representative Mike Szymanski
SUBJECT: HB 412 - relating to adoption medical records.
DATE: May 24, 1983

Under present statute, there is no provision which makes it mandatory that an adopted child's medical history and records be made available to the adopted child and the adoptive parents.

A constituent of mine, Ms. Janice Griffith, contacted me because her adopted child had developed an illness which was "predictable" had the child's medical history/records been available.

It is the intent of this legislation to do several things:

1. It would require that information relating to the medical history of an adopted child be collected and recorded on a form and attached to the adoption records at the time of adoption. This would be for all adoptions, private, agency, or State.
2. For those adoptions which have occurred prior to the effective date of this legislation where the medical history was not mandatorily required to be included in the records, the Department of Health & Social Services would now be required to obtain this information if it is available and if requested by the child or the adoptive parents.
3. This legislation would now make the information available upon request to the adoptive parents and to the adopted child.
4. The information which will be included will all be nonidentifying information.

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5/24/83

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: House HESS Committee

FROM: Linda Otey, Committee Aide

RE: HB 412 Summary/ "An Act relating to adoption medical records; and providing for an effective date."

This legislation would direct the state Registrar, if the information is available, to provide the adoptive parents of a person adopted after Jan. 1, 1984, and an adopted person who has been adopted after that date, with nonidentifying information on the health history of each biological parent, adopted person, and blood relatives of each biological parent.

For all adoptions after Jan. 1, 1984, the state, child adoption agencies, or a person authorized to place a child for adoption must furnish the state Registrar the nonidentifying information required above. If the information is requested but not available for adoptions that occurred before Jan. 1, 1984, the Registrar must request the Commissioner of H&SS to attempt to obtain the required information. Adoption agencies and persons authorized to place a person for adoption would be required to maintain records of the information.

Effective date, January 1, 1984.

Further referral - House Judiciary Committee

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position paper and fiscal note requested from the Dept. of H&SS but not yet delivered.

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House of Representatives
HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

MEMORANDUM

TO: Representative Mae Tischer
FROM: Bill Lovell, House HESS Staff *lml*
DATE: February 10, 1984

RE: Comparison of CSHB 412 (HESS) to HB 412

For your convenience, I have compared the proposed House HESS Committee Substitute for House Bill 412 to the bill as originally introduced.

Page 1, line 13, change "1984" to "1985."

Page 1, line 14, change "1984" to "1985."

Page 1, line 19, insert "authorized by law," after the word "person."

Page 1, line 22, change "1984" to "1985."

Page 1, line 25, change "1984" to "1985."

Page 1, line 25, change "1984" to "1985."

Page 2, line 1, insert "authorized by law," after the word "person."

Page 2, line 25, changes the effective date clause to January 1, 1985.

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