

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

April 22, 1997 Hearing Room D

1:00 PM Tapes 81 - 82

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rep. Liz VanLeeuwen, Chair

Rep. Kitty Piercy, Vice-Chair

Rep. Bob Jenson

Rep. Jeff Kruse

Rep. Kurt Schrader

Rep. Mark Simmons

MEMBER EXCUSED: Rep. Dennis Luke

STAFF PRESENT:

Janet Carlson, Administrator

Berri Sellers, Administrative Support

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:

HB 3182 Public Hearing and Work Session

HB 2504 Public Hearing and Work Session

HB 3183 Public Hearing and Work Session

These minutes are in compliance with Senate and House Rules. Only text enclosed in quotation marks reports a speaker's exact words. For complete contents, please refer to the tapes.

Tape/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 81, A		
003	Chair VanLeeuwen	Chair calls meeting to order at 1:15 pm. Opens public hearing on HB 2504 and HB 3183.
<u>HB 2504 AND HB 3183 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		

035	Janet Carlson	Committee Administrator. Provides overview of juvenile crime prevention work group facilitated for the House Committee on Children and Families. Provides written materials (EXHIBIT A).
059		Discusses membership of the work group.
075		Describes what juvenile crime prevention planning is currently being done and has been done in the past 20 years.
157		Explains the local public safety coordinating councils and their role in planning.
174		Discusses the long range goal of reducing juvenile crime.
184		Explains that the work group examined risk factors, resiliency factors and existing planning.
199	Carlson	Discusses program outcomes that resulted from the work group.
202		* Reduce antisocial behavior.
205		* Reduce association with peers who participate in delinquent behavior.
210		* Reduce school failure.
214		* Reducing substance abuse.
218		* Increasing healthy family environments.
251		Comments about research on juvenile crime prevention and youth development.
268	Carlson	Discusses cost-benefit analysis of Peter Greenwood's study regarding juvenile crime. Study explains that prevention is less expensive than incarceration of youth offenders.
290		Explains that the program that worked best in the above study was paying children to stay in school.
305		Discusses statistics from state data of at-risk youth in Oregon.
		Discusses arrest rate per thousand by age group and its stagnancy over the past ten years.
333	Chair VanLeeuwen	What are the numbers at the bottom?
337	Carlson	Those represent the age groups.
343		Discusses juveniles charged with Measure 11 offenses. Explains that 68.7 percent of the juveniles charged are coming from five counties.
369		Explains that the work group had difficulty agreeing on issues of money.
398		Questions arose about counties participating in the funding.
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		Explains the discussion that focused around county versus state planning--counties being concerned, because it is a large portion of their money that is on the table.
TAPE 82, A		
036	Carlson	Discusses new resources that might be available for funding these plans.
056		Discusses proposal of delaying the block grant until the following biennium.
072		Explains the contents of the amendments and explains that this is not a consensus, but a compromise.
090		Discusses the provisions for the State Juvenile Crime Prevention Team.
096		Explains the State Team roles that came out of the Work Group
100		* Improve state agency coordination.
104		* Provide technical assistance.
110		* Negotiate waivers.
116		* Review and provide feedback on local plans.
127	Carlson	* Report to emergency board by November.
137		Discusses (EXHIBIT A, Page 18) work group interests and compromise.
198	Mark Gibson	Advisor to the Governor on Housing and Health Care. Thanks committee for working towards a compromise.
212		Explains that in the next day or so a compromise should be reached.
222		Would like to explain the four main points that are contained in the Governor's Juvenile crime prevention proposals.
232		* Youths at-risk on the tertiary end.
242		* Creation of a state team to coordinate a plan around juvenile crime prevention. Wants state team to be able to represent the agencies in that plan.
261		* Wants increased accountability from everyone. Explains that there is currently a lack of data on what is successful and what is not.
272		* Explains the reinvestment piece. Measure 11 has created an enormous draw on state resources.
290	Gordon Fultz	Association of Oregon Counties. Would like to add to the discussion.
310		Asks the committee to recognize that Measure 47 has created an enormous loss of revenue.
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		Explains that the two items that are still in the works include the resources and the reduction of Oregon Youth Authority commitments.
354		Explains that the state team is still an issue of contention. The association prefers not to have another state agency reviewing their plans.
385	Rep. Kruse	When you guys were doing this, were you assuming Oregon Youth Authority would be fully funded?
393	Gibson	Yes, we were operating from the standpoint that Oregon Youth Authority would have a full amount of diversion dollars.
TAPE 81, B		
027	Fultz	Comments that this measure is going to add additional responsibilities which means they will need additional funds.
055	Larry Oglesby	Director of the Juvenile Directors Association. Explains that they strongly support the results of the work group.
073		Discusses the key issues at hand, including building on existing planning processes.
080		Explains that any state policy team needs to include local members.
114		Explains that their goal is to be able to shift the focus on younger youth.
128	Rep. Simmons	When did juveniles stop following court orders? Has there been a pattern that shows an increase in delinquent behavior?
137	Oglesby	Believes that it has been occurring for the last five years.
151	Galen Phipps	Director of Looking Glass, Station 7. Explains that he is in support of the work group. Discusses improving the situation for runaway and homeless youth.
208	Phipps	Explains that studies demonstrate the situation for these kids worsening.
241	Diane Treadway	Director of the Jefferson County Commission on Children and Families.
258		Explains that planning is the easy part and that implementation is the difficult part.
302		Discusses her fear that the local commissions will lose all of the work that they have been doing.
335		Explains that all parties need to be able to work together in order to meet the Governor's goals.
372	Dan Murphy	Director of the Marion County Commission on Children and Families.
400		Explains that the work group has come to a better understanding of what the state's interests are.

420		Would like people to recognize that communities are powerful in creating positive change.
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028	Murphy	Comments that data and analysis is critical in making these decisions.
044		Explains that they must be able to collaborate in order to shape positive long term policy.
051	Rep. Kruse	Comments that he shares the concerns about having a state level team. Believes that top-down policies don't work.
073	Vice-Chair Piercy	Expresses appreciation to the work group.
136	Murphy	Comments that the state team members are professionals who are brought together to effect change. The real change is at the local level where people are affected by change.
152	Chair VanLeeuwen	Closes public hearing on HB 3183 and HB 2504.
161		Opens public hearing on HB 3182.
<u>HB 3182 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
170	Carlson	Provides overview of HB 3182.
180	Jonathan Ater	Chair of the State Commission on Children and Families.
191		Comments that this is not the time to change the make-up of the commission. Believes that commission has adequate representation as it stands currently.
208		Believes that we should focus on getting the work done and not trying to change things.
228	Chair VanLeeuwen	Explains that there is real justification for the bill, but that they will talk about this at another time.
271	Ater	Discusses local chairs and directors group.
281	Chair VanLeeuwen	Adjourns meeting at 3:00 pm.

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A - HB 2504, HB 3183, written materials, staff, pp. 18.