HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Hearing Room Tapes - 10 MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. John Meek, Chair Rep. Judith Uherbelau, Vice-Chair Rep. George Eighmey Rep. Bill Fisher Rep. Patti Milne Rep. Kitty Pi STAFF PRESENT: Tom Mann, Committee Administrator Pamela Berger, Committee Assistant MEASURES HEARD: Criminal Justice Act Task Force Report - Inf. HB 2029 - Public Hearing These minutes contain materials which paraphrase and/or summarize statements made during this session. Only text enclosed in quotation mark report a speaker's exact words. For complete contents of the proceedings, please refer to the tapes. TAPE , SIDE A CHAIR MEEK: Calls the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m. 010 Informational Hearing - Children's Justice Act Task Force Report: 010 MARIE BELL, Children's Justice Act Task Force member: Submits and reviews the Children's Justice Act Task Force report for 1995 (EX 118 STAN ROBSON, Children's Justice Act Task Force member: Presents information on investigation and prosecution -training of mandate 292 BELL: Judicial consideration -in a court setting, the most important decisions effecting children and their families are made -don't TAPE 9, SIDE A -effect of domestic violence on children CONNIE GALLAGER, STATE FATALITY REVIEW TEAM: Discusses the shaking baby 060 syndrome; statistics; information provided to help assist in determining cases where shaking babies occurs BELL: Child fatality review (pg 48, Exhibit A) ROXIE COOPER, MacLAREN SCHOOL: Discusses intervention programs; lack of standards for treatment providers (pg 64, Exhibit A) reco 100 255 BELL: Concluding remarks -overall progress in Oregon -refers to article on last page of Exhibit B -1995 priorities 300 -in response involvement would be welcome 340 EIGHMEY: Impressed with work done by Robson ROBSON: No cure for sex offender, especially pedophile, although changing lifestyles can be beneficial 355 EIGHMEY: Profile of sex offenders BELL: 1986 Oregon Juvenile Sex Offenders report and 1991 Criminal Justice Council report has additional information of profiles -legislati TAPE 8, SIDE B ROBSON: Reporting; acting out by victims BELL: Acting out behavior of young children EIGHMEY: Restitution payments 040 BELL: Recommendations regarding restitution payments Continued discussion on restitution payments 115 FISHER: Controversy on how information in presented from children BELL: That is why we are pushing for advocacy centers -equipment which assists in determining if abuse has occurred MILNE: Would like more information about judges not having enough training in child abuse; this disturbs me 155 BELL: Will provide list of recommendations on that issue ROBSON: Constitution is not written to address the victimization of children as they are -uncomfortable setting for judges who don't deal wi MILNE: Concerned about parents not getting adequate representation 198 CHAIR MEEK: Recesses meeting at 9:50 a.m. -re-convenes the meeting at 10:00 a.m. HB 2029 - Public Hearing Staff submits a preliminary SMS on HB 2029 (EXHIBIT C) and ORS 109.312 (EXHIBIT D) BETTY UCHYTIL, ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR, CHILDREN SERVICES DIVISION (CSD): Submits and reviews written testimony in opposition of HB 212 MEEK: Questions who is setting the policy for the placement of children, states that relatives and parents should be included in th 325 EIGHMEY: Ouestions Section 3 of the bill 385 420 UHERBELAU: Would like a legal opinion on the interpretation of Section 3

and Section 4 452 -states in other countries that the family is involved in the decision to place children

TAPE 9, SIDE B

040 UCHYTIL: Discusses changes in the last two sessions

070 DEE MICHAELS: Describes the story of a family and how the children were placed in foster care after their parents where imprisoned

125 SHIRLEY MORGANTI: Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB

2029 (EXHIBIT H)

180 MARSHA EVERTT: Describes information on her five grandchildren and the situation in the family that occurred that resulted in the gr accept findings from professional expert 325 -Two of the children were reunited this past week -CSD's requirements

TAPE 10, SIDE A

050 MARY REGETH: Submits and reads written testimony on HB 2029 (EXHIBIT I)

-discusses false accusations make by CSD

166 FLORENCE BROWN: Submits and reads written testimony on HB 2029 (EXHIBIT J)

180 CAROL SEATON: Submits and reads testimony on HB 2029 (EXHIBIT K)

225 CHAIR MEEK: Adjourns the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

Submitted by, Reviewed by,

Pamela Berger Tom Mann Committee Assistant Committee Administrator

EXHIBIT SUMMARY:

A - Report - Bell - 87 pp. B - Overview - Bell - 8 pp. C - HB 2029 - Preliminary SMS - staff - 1 p. D - HB 2029 - Statute - staff - 1 p. F -