

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

March 17, 1993
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Hearing Room H-170 1:30 p.m.

Tapes

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. John Meek, Chair Rep. Lisa Naito,
Vice-Chair Rep. Ron Adams (Alternate) Rep. Patti Milne Rep. Gail Shibley

STAFF PRESENT: Annette Price, Committee Administrator Edward C.
Klein, Committee Assistant

PUBLIC HEARING: HB 2145 - Deletes \$25 maximum fee for
certificate of approval of day care facility. HB 2559 - Requires State
Archivist to adopt schedule

to retain Children's Services Division records relating to child abuse
and foster home placements. HB 2004 - Creates State Commission on
Children and Families.

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003 CHAIRMAN MEEK: Calls the committee to order at 1:36 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 2145 -- EXHIBIT A

Witness: Karen Moffat, Manager, Child Day Care Unit, CSD

CHAIRMAN MEEK: Opens the Public Hearing on HB 2145.

009 KAREN MOFFAT, Manager, Child Day Care Unit, CSD: Presents
testimony in support of HB 2145 (EXHIBIT A).

030 REP. MILNE: What are the fees used for?

MOFFAT: Explains.

REP. MILNE: They aren't dedicated?

MOFFAT: No.

CHAIRMAN MEEK: Closes the Public Hearing. PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 2559 --
EXHIBITS

Witnesses: Rep. Carl Hosticka, District 40 Judith D. Craddock, Abuse
Victim and Foster Child Advocate Vena Wright, Parent Consultant, Lane
County Child Care Resource and Referral Program, Lane County Community
College

and Abuse Victim Ann Niederehe, CSD Roy Turnbaugh, State Archivist

CHAIRMAN MEEK: Opens the public Hearing on HB 2559.

044 REP. CARL HOSTICKA, Dist. 40: Introduces the issue addressed by HB 2559.

070 JUDITH D. CRADDOCK, Abuse Victim and Foster Child Advocate:
Presents

testimony in support of HB 2559 (EXHIBIT B).

150 VENA WRIGHT, Parent Consultant, Lane County Child Care Resource and Referral Program, Lane County Community College: Presents testimony in support of HB 2559 (EXHIBIT C).

290 REP. NAITO: We appreciate your comments.

REP. HOSTICKA: Would be more than happy to work with the committee if there are technical problems with the measure.

303 CRADDOCK: Makes closing comments.

313 ANN NIEDEREHE, CSD: presents testimony in opposition to HB 2559 (EXHIBIT D).

397 REP. SHIBLEY: Understands the State Archivist looks at five considerations in determining retention schedules. -Are you open to discussion of a sixth consideration or waiving the considerations or both?

NIEDEREHE: Part of our concern has always been the client's potential future interest, but there are other considerations as well.

REP. SHIBLEY: Could some of the fiscal impact be mitigated through some sort of fee? You could charge so much per page or file.

NIEDEREHE: That's a possibility.

435 REP. SHIBLEY: If there was an unfounded allegation of abuse or neglect and that individual reached the age of majority, should that individual be able to get those records until they reach the age of 25?

NIEDEREHE: Does not have the answer. -We currently keep unfounded cases for three years. -The schedule we have on the unfounded case is in response to the issue that that state should not keep those records any longer than is warranted.

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027 REP. SHIBLEY: Sometime within those three years, a parent of that minor child would have access to those records?

NIEDEREHE: The parents or legal representative of the child would have access.

034 REP. ADAMS: How many clients might there be in a given year?

NIEDEREHE: There are approximately 15,000 families.

REP. ADAMS: Using your figures, if we charge \$2 for the first biennium, and \$5 for the next biennium--why can't we do this?

048 NIEDEREHE: Responds.

056 REP. NAITO: Do unfounded cases include cases where there were never any investigations done by CSD?

NIEDEREHE: The ones kept for the three years are ones for which an assessment were done.

REP. NAITO: Over a 15 year period there could be a series of allegations.

073 NIEDEREHE: We've found if we get another referral, it usually happens within a three-year period.

REP. NAITO: If the records were destroyed how would you know?

NIEDEREHE: That's correct.

083 REP. NAITO: Have there been any discussions on post-traumatic stress

syndrome and the need to keep these records?

NIEDEREHE: There was a discussion of the impact on our records and it was determined that we weren't required to change our record retention schedules.

092 REP. MILNE: What could be more important in balancing than to maintain something that's so vitale to someone's life? -Is your concern about liability more important?

NIEDEREHE: The balance she referred to involves all the factors you mentioned.

108 REP. NAITO: Couldn't we move towards storing the information in the records in some cost efficient way? NIEDEREHE: There is a move of interest towards electronic storage.

123 ROY TURNBAUGH, State Archivist: Presents testimony in opposition to HB 2559 (EXHIBIT E). -He describes the current retention schedule for certain records.

157 REP. ADAMS: Do you have a copy of CSD's cost estimate?

TURNBAUGH: He does.

163 REP. ADAMS: Do you keep primarily paper records?

TURNBAUGH: Usually they come on paper or microfilm. -There is a cost associated with converting records to another medium.

REP. ADAMS: You're not currently scanning them or keeping them another way?

TURNBAUGH: No.

REP. ADAMS: Does the cost seem reasonable?

TURNBAUGH: Can not evaluate that at this time.

CHAIRMAN MEEK: Closes the Public Hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 2004 -- EXHIBITS F to Q

Witnesses: Randy Franke, Chair, Marion County Board of Commissioners and Chair, Marion county Children and Youth Services Commission Cathy Garland, Coordinator, Marion County Children and Youth

Services Commission Marilyn Herb, Director, Alternative Services, Salem-Keizer School District Jim Seymour, Executive Director, Catholic Community Services Kevin Concannon, Director, Department of Human Resources Bill Carey, Administrator, CSD Muriel Goldman, Children First for Oregon Paul Gohranson, Where are our Children fnd Timothy Travis, Juvenile Rights Project, Inc. Lennie Bjornsen, Clackamas County Jim Dyer, Foster Parent and President, Marion and Polk Foster Parent's Association

CHAIRMAN MEEK: Opens the Public Hearing on HB 2004. -He describes the upcoming Work Group process (EXHIBIT F).

273 RANDY FRANKE, Chair, Marion County Board of Commissioners and Chair, Marion County Children and Youth Services Commission: Presents testimony in support of HB 2004 (EXHIBIT G). TAPE 53, SIDE B

020 FRANKE: Continues.

REP. SHIBLEY: We have a dedicated funding stream to fix potholes, but no dedicated funding for children.

040 FRANKE: Agrees. -He continues with page 2, paragraph 3 of his testimony. -He discusses AOC amendments (EXHIBIT H).

076 REP. NAITO: In your testimony you mentioned that you resisted pilot projects, could you elaborate?

FRANKE: Responds.

092 CATHY GARLAND, Coordinator, Marion County Children and Youth Services

Commission: Presents testimony describing the Marion County Children and Youth Services Commission (EXHIBIT I). -She describes their amendment.

215 REP. SHIBLEY: Did OCCYSC have any involvement in your five year vision and strategic plan?

GARLAND: They have provided a supporting role to our commission. She describes OCCYSC's role.

231 REP. SHIBLEY: How does that directly relate to achieving the

benchmarks? -What process did OCCYSC go through to ensure these activities are not

just good ideas, but they are aimed at achieving specific benchmarks?

GARLAND: Describes how they use the benchmarks.

262 REP. SHIBLEY: You've discussed the importance of volunteers. Could you give us a profile of them?

GARLAND: Describes their volunteers.

281 REP. SHIBLEY: As a county office are you bound by all of the regulations affecting Marion County as an entity?

GARLAND: Describes their relationship with the county contract office. -That's an advantage of being aligned with the county.

307 REP. SHIBLEY: Is concerned that whatever we do, we keep the bureaucratic overhead to a minimum.

319 REP. ADAMS: You work up proposals to take to the county commission for funding, which suggests you are competing with other county entities for funding.

235 GARLAND: Describes their planning process for services and strategies. -We are not in competition with anyone else for funding.

356 MARILYN HERB, Director, Alternative Services, Salem-Keizer School District: Presents testimony in support of the county proposal (EXHIBIT J).

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HERB: Concludes her testimony.

034 REP. SHIBLEY: You also talked about the importance of volunteers. -What would the bill requiring school employees to have background checks have on your volunteers?

HERB: That will have a major, but necessary impact. She explains.

057 JIM SEYMOUR, Executive Director, Catholic Community Services: Presents testimony in support of AOC amendments (EXHIBIT K).

136 REP. MILNE: Thanks the presenters.

140 KEVIN CONCANNON, Director, Department of Human Resources: Applauds the elevated attention given to children this session. -He presents "Concept Paper, Children's and Families Issues" (EXHIBIT L). -He expresses support for the Work Group process.

327 BILL CAREY, Administrator, CSD: Presents testimony and proposed amendments to HB 2004 (EXHIBIT M). -Equity will be an ongoing concern. -Need is massive. -We have to commit to the revenue needs for children and families.

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012 REP. ADAMS: Marilyn, you listed several consortiums. -You're

proving you've figured out a way to make it work. -How much time do you spend making it work? There has to be a better way.

HERB: Will work alone or on a team. -It's how you choose to spend your time based on the outcomes you perceive to be in the best interests of the children in the community.

REP. ADAMS: There may be ways to help you work it better.

HERB: There are interrelationships between alcohol and drugs, teen parents, youth gangs, etc. -We're finding a lot of our efforts in separate groups are coming together. -At some point we'll be able to blend some of these programs.

053 REP. ADAMS: You'd be a tremendous resource to us in trying to imagine what works at the local level.

HERB: Will be happy to participate.

063 MURIEL GOLDMAN, Children First for Oregon: Presents proposed amendments to HB 2004 (EXHIBIT N). -She refers to their additional concerns, page 1 of testimony.

252 CHAIRMAN MEEK: That's worded so that they'll be at least eight; they

can have as many as they want.

276 PAUL GOHRANSON, Where are our Children fnd: Presents testimony in support of HB 2004 (EXHIBIT O).

343 TIMOTHY TRAVIS, Juvenile Rights Project, Inc.: Presents testimony in

opposition to HB 2004 (EXHIBIT P).

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020 TRAVIS: Continues.

042 REP. SHIBLEY: Would like to discuss with you what it would take to fix the foster care system. -Maybe we could do something about tax reform in this committee.

REP. NAITO: Is willing.

058 LENNIE BJORNSEN, Clackamas County: Testifies in support of HB 2004. -Clackamas County supports the AOC amendments.

112 JIM DYER, Foster Parent and President, Marion and Polk Foster Parent's Association: Presents testimony in opposition to HB 2004 (EXHIBIT Q).

160 CHAIRMAN MEEK: The people in eastern Oregon may be the winners.

DYER: Responds. -He continues with page 2 of his testimony, early intervention. -He expresses his willingness to participate in the work group process.

232 CHAIRMAN MEEK: For the record we have testimony in opposition

from Maureen Jene (EXHIBIT R) and testimony in support from Rosemary Adamski (EXHIBIT S). -He closes the Public Hearing. -Staff will do their best to get the compilation of the amendments to the committee members. -Please get your response to the staff early Monday. -He adjourns at 4:18 p.m.

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