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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGENCY REORGANIZATION AND REFORM

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MEMBERS PRESENT:Rep. Clarno, Chair Rep. Hugo, Vice-Chair Rep. Katz  
Rep. Jones Rep. Derfler

MEMBER EXCUSED: Rep. Brian Rep. Clark

STAFF PRESENT: Susan Browning, Committee Administrator Scott  
Kaden, Committee Assistant

MEASURES CONSIDERED:HB 3517 - DHRConfidentiality Rules, WS HB 2896 -  
Memberships and Subscriptions, WS

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TAPE 73, SIDE A

005 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Calls the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m..  
Opens work session on HB 3517. Ms. Browning, would you like to discuss  
the amendments to HB 351 7?

HB 3517 - DHRCONFIDENTIALITY RULES, WORK SESSION Witness:Janice Yaden,  
Department of Human Resources

007 SUSAN BROWNING, COMMITTEE ASSISTANT: Yes. Addresses the  
amendments and

information contained in the bill packets on HB 3517 (EXHIBIT A and  
EXHIBIT B).

015 REP. KATZ: I have a question concerning the amendment. Shouldn't  
the Department of Human Resources be in there?

016 BROWNING: Yes. There is a typo in the amendment. Line 3 (of  
Exhibit A) should read "Department of Human Resources," instead of  
"Department of General Services." Explains the amendment with greater  
detail.

035 REP. KATZ: What was wrong with the original bill? This amendment is a little weak.

037 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: I concur. Ms. Yaden, could you address Rep. Katz's concern?

043 JANICE YADEN, DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES: We thought the original bill was wonderful as well. Unfortunately, due to 130 statutes, the bill would not have worked as promised. It was a false promise because of the various federal and state statutes, which override the general policy outlined in the original bill. The only way to address this predicament would be to amend each of the 130 statutes. That is what we will do in the years to come. First, we thought it would be good to set policy.

062 REP. KATZ: How many statutes are we talking about?

063 YADEN: I found 130, just taking a quick look at the statutes.

066 REP. DERFLER: Are you suggesting that we cannot do that in a timely manner?

067 YADEN: We probably could not do it this session.

070 REP. JONES: A great deal of our 150 days have already gone by, and I am not staying here another 130 days.

072 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: I think we will have to deal with more than one statute per day. What do you think of that, Ms. Yaden?

073 YADEN: We found that it wasn't a problem with regard to sharing information, but we found that the people who are served have never been asked for a release to share information.

075 REP. KATZ: Is it possible to amend those statutes with boiler plate language?

078 YADEN: I don't think so. You would have to ask the Attorney General on that matter. I understand that you would have to take out the pieces of statutes that keep information confidential (i.e. patients' medical records).

085 REP. KATZ: I see. So you would have to put in some qualifying language.

086 YADEN: Correct. You would have to add some qualifying language to set up these exceptions.

087 REP. KATZ: Fine, and that is the boiler plate language that I am talking about. If you could add that language, it ought not take 150 days to amend these statutes.

090 YADEN: Theoretically, yes. But every single one of those statutes has a group of people who are protected by that statute. There are constituents behind each of these 130 statutes who do not want this information shared.

093 REP. KATZ: I know. That is the real problem.

093 YADEN: You would have to have an army to fight for each statute you would like to change.

096 REP. KATZ: Then if they say "No, not our statute," then they certainly won't appreciate this amendment (Exhibit A).

098 YADEN: No. This will cause some controversy.

103 REP. HUGO: I am not sure that you couldn't say, "notwithstanding" and then list the 130 statutes.

104 REP. KATZ: That is what I meant.

106 YADEN: The policy we can do.

107 REP. HUGO: The first words of the bill would be "notwithstanding" and then list your 130 statutes, comma, "the policy is that the DHR, Department of Education and Department of Corrections are to share necessary information, whenever possible."

110 YADEN: As long as we use the words "The policy is," we are okay. But, if we say "will be allowed to share, according to," we will have to ask an attorney to see if that would be appropriate. I was told by an attorney from the Attorney General's office, that it would not work because each statute must be amended individually.

117 REP. HUGO: Recaps the highlights of the dash one amendments (see Exhibit A).

119 YADEN: It sets a policy that we feel will be helpful. It asks for better protocols for asking for client consent, better common client consent forms, interagency agreements and a number of other administrative proposals which will help the sharing of information. We are not doing this currently. That is reflected in the fact that most workers do not believe that it is our policy to share information. They will not share information that they can share.

128 REP. JONES: Why can't we take some of the major agencies and work on them specifically? That should not take 150 days to complete. Then, we could develop the true authority to share this information.

136 YADEN: The director has that authority to share data, currently. But because of all the other individual statutes eroding that authority, the directors of the agencies do not encourage information sharing.

144 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Did you consult with Legislative Counsel on this matter?

145 YADEN: No, I did not.

146 REP. KATZ: We must also look at the schools if we really want to integrate the social services. The schools must be released from the confidentiality statutes as well. We don't want one agency to have the ability to share, and not another, closely related agency.

153 YADEN: The schools are primarily governed by federal legislation. So that will be slightly different than other related state agencies. Virtually every piece of client information can be released, but you need the clients permission. We can share the information, but we need to get the patient's okay.

160 REP. KATZ: Couldn't you require the release to be part of the normal process?

161 YADEN: That is in this report and is the first thing I would ask the agencies to do. It is vital.

163 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Could you point out where you are? Is this the dash one amendments that you are referring to?

164 YADEN: It is in my report (Exhibit G, 4-23-91 minutes).

165 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Is it covered in the dash one amendments?

166 YADEN: No, it is not. These are administrative items that you could put in statute if you want to make sure that they get done.

172 REP. JONES: When it is in the statute, there is a better chance for it to occur.

172 REP. HUGO: What are the penalties for divulging information that is currently protected by statute?

174 YADEN: They vary greatly. Some have no penalty, some have fines, some are considered criminal offenses.

180 REP. HUGO: We can write a blank amnesty. We can leave the statutes where they are and then alleviate the penalties.

183 YADEN: That was one of the recommendations from a worker. This worker said nothing will happen if I don't share information. But I know something could happen if I do disclose some information in violation of a statute. There is that conservative bias built into this issue.

188 REP. HUGO: Rather than going after the numerous statutes, go after the penalty. If there is no penalty for divulging the information, and we develop the policy to share information, the statutes will be rendered meaningless.

193 YADEN: I still feel we could go a long way with appropriate client releases. Most clients are willing to release this information. All we have to do is ask.

197 REP. KATZ: We have to concentrate on the protocol.

198 REP. HUGO: As far as education law goes, I am trying to think what items are protected. Of course, student records are protected, but that is state law.

200 YADEN: Correct.

201 REP. HUGO: Student health records are protected and disciplinary records are protected, but those are all state statutes.

203 YADEN: I thought the schools came under FIRPA.

204 REP. HUGO: Only for those involved in special education or programs for the handicapped.

205 YADEN: I thought there was a student record law that was federally mandated. They referred to it as FIRPA.

209 REP. HUGO: FIRPA stands for Federal Information Retrieval, something or other, Act. I am not sure how that deals with student records.

211 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Is this the Buckley amendment?

214 REP. HUGO: That could be. I am still trying to figure out how to accomplish what we want.

216 YADEN: It is not as simple as we thought it would be. We looked at a number of states and found similar language to the original bill. But those states admit that their statutes don't work because of additional reasons for not being able to share.

224 REP. KATZ: Let us do a "notwithstanding" phrase and then go with a policy statement and a protocol piece. Amnesty is ok, as well. That is the easy way of doing this. The more difficult way is to take care of the whole chunk. We need to have our staff take a closer look at that issue. I realize that people "will go bananas" about this.

237 YADEN: If you do want to go statute by statute and amend each individually, you will probably want a full-blown public hearing.

240 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Maybe we ought to take two or three of the major statutes and start with them.

243 REP. KATZ: Especially where you are looking to integrate services.

244 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Could you identify two or three of the larger statutes?

251 REP. JONES: You mean how do we adjust the procedures so we can achieve information-sharing?

253 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: We want to make sure that what we do is effective.

254 YADEN: You have to clearly decide why you want to do this. Do you want to focus on case management? You want to be very careful when you write this legislation, so that you can be very specific about what information you want to share and what you do not want to share.

268 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: It troubles me that we don't have a policy to deal with this issue.

270 YADEN: These cases have many shades. Divulging records is tricky. In some cases, you might think it is appropriate. In another situation, information-sharing might devastate a family forever. You have to write the statute so that it will allow you to share when you think it is right, and doesn't allow for sharing when it is inappropriate. That is very tricky, but a client consent form would take care of it.

280 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: We currently don't have a client release form?

281 YADEN: We do have a release form, but there is not protocol in place which causes the release form to be utilized.

284 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: That is what troubles me.

285 YADEN: That is what we have to concentrate upon. You need to ask all the agencies to do this. The youth commissions do it currently and there are no problems whatsoever. But it is based on the client release.

You have to go to the client and say we (the agencies) are all involved with your family and we want permission to share information to help you.

309 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: We are constantly enacting new confidentiality rules and statutes - even this session.

319 YADEN: Ms. Browning and I have talked about Rep. Edmundson's bill which addresses this same type of issue. (See EXHIBIT B.)

325 REP. HUGO: Yes. But look at how far he got with his bill.

326 YADEN: Yes, I understand. There are people who feel very strongly about each of the 130 confidentiality statutes, particularly with the treatment providers. The ones who were more case management oriented were more open to information sharing. They felt that all involved were professionals and that confidentiality could be maintained within the group.

338 REP. HUGO: Let me offer an observation to the committee. This session will probably end in late June. I am wondering if we can get a bill through this body and the other body as well. Maybe we should prepare a bill for the first special session. Maybe we could discuss with the Speaker the possibilities of making this bill a priority. - We are not going to accomplish anything with a study bill.

354 REP. KATZ: What else are we going to do in this committee? Chairperson Clarno, are we almost finished with your agenda?

355 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: We have memberships and subscriptions, boards and commissions, and administrative rules bills left to address. - I am real concerned with the problem of confidentiality. We have lots of motive to change the way we case manage. I am not sure that the committee is satisfied with where we get with these amendments.

382 REP. JONES: I have something else for you, but we will talk about that later. How about if you let a work group work on the language? Maybe give Janice some direction on some of the less controversial statutes that can be tackled?

393 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Sounds wonderful.

395 REP. DERFLER: If we are going to do that, I think we should require each agency to ask for a voluntary assignment so people can look at this issue.

398 REP. HUGO: That is the issue of protocol.

399 REP. JONES: We were just jotting some items down, like information to be provided on a need-to-know basis to provide services to assist the client. Possibly make the requestor qualify for the opportunity to gain this information.

422 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: We will revisit this issue, as Rep. Hugo

suggested. Then maybe we can build on our small successes.

428 REP. HUGO: I assume, Ms. Yaden, you want the policy statement regardless?

430 YADEN: Yes. Even if you don't plan on going any further, we need the policy statement. That does put everybody on record as far as the direction that is desired in this field. This will take time, and it will be a process. But I think you need to take a programmatic approach, for example, address programs which deal with child abuse.

475 REP. JONES: Yes. Taking a small segment makes sense.

480 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Ms. Yaden, would you like to comment on HB 2974, the bill on the public records advisory council?

486 YADEN: We do need coordination on this matter. These folks will be looking at the same statutes that any confidentiality committee would be looking at. We need to work together, instead of having two separate groups researching the statutes.

496 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Could you go over that more thoroughly with the work group that will be formed on this issue? Also, you mentioned earlier the need to flag all bills this session which address confidentiality of information. Was that something you were suggesting to this committee?

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043 YADEN: Yes, you need that to happen. I am not familiar with how committees flag the bills which are inherently important to your legislation.

048 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: It seems like you made some suggestions as to how we could accomplish that, correct?

049 YADEN: No, I don't know how you could accomplish it, because I don't know who reads the bill and flags the issues that you might be interested in. - Suggests a few technical changes to the amendment. On line three (Exhibit A), it should read Department of Human Resources instead of Department of General Services. On line six, seven, and eight, I think you should use "departments" instead of "agencies." I would drop Section (e), because that is not a directive for the departments.

062 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: In Section (e), you might change that to a suggestion for the Legislature.

063 YADEN: The Legislature should do that.

064 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Or the Public Records Advisory Council?

065 YADEN: Yes. Or whoever is charged with doing such a task. - Offers another suggestion relating to the "1018 Committee." You might want to make Chairman Bill Carey responsible for carrying out this assignment. The Committee has discussed confidentiality and how it affects the service provided to children of this state.

073 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: What did you call that committee?

074 YADEN: We call it the "1018 Committee." It is an interdepartmental coordinating mechanism.

077 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Any other comments, Ms. Yaden?

078 YADEN: No. I would be glad to work with the members of the work group.

081 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: What members would like to volunteer for this work group?

082 REP. JONES: Rep. Katz and myself. I think Rep. Katz also suggested that Rep. Hugo be part of this work group.

084 REP. HUGO: That would be fine.

085 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Ms. Yaden, we appreciate all your work. Hopefully we can solve some of the difficulties associated with sharing information. - Closes the work session on HB 3517 and opens work session on HB 2896.

HB 2896 - MEMBERSHIPS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS, WORK SESSION Witness:Marjorie Lowe, Executive Department

093 BROWNING: Explains the dash two and dash one amendments (EXHIBIT C and EXHIBIT D).

138 REP. JONES: The dash two amendment actually amends the bill as it is, and the dash one amendment replaces the bill, is that correct?

140 BROWNING: That is correct, Rep. Jones.

141 REP. JONES: Are these rules currently in effect in the Executive Department, or are these proposed rules?

142 BROWNING: The dash one amendment is based on current administrative rules which guide the Executive Department itself.

144 REP. JONES: Within the department itself, and not the agencies under the guidance of the Executive Department.

145 BROWNING: Correct. These are the rules that the Executive Department uses to govern itself.

- Refers back to additional contents of the bill packet for HB 2896 (EXHIBIT E, EXHIBIT F, EXHIBIT G, EXHIBIT H and EXHIBIT I).

187 REP. JONES: I am confused as to why we have lumped subscriptions with memberships. These are two distinct issues, and we have put them in one bill. Do these letters received by the Committee address subscriptions or memberships for the most part?

193 BROWNING: The primary concern of the bulk of the letters is the membership fees.

194 REP. JONES: Individual or organization memberships is the primary issue?

196 BROWNING: Yes, primarily. There are concerns from the library groups regarding the subscriptions. You received materials at our last



meeting on their concerns.

203 REP. JONES: This printout (Exhibit F) is entitled dues and subscription expenses. Do we know how these break out, as far as how much is spent on subscriptions versus memberships?

209 BROWNING: As I understand it, dues and subscriptions are a line-item account and they are lumped together within the agencies. They are coded alike. So they cannot break this item down to determine how much is spent on each.

214 REP. JONES: So you really cannot separate the two items.

215 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: I don't know if the members have the summary (dated April 29, 1991) prepared by Sylvia Loftus, Legislative Researcher. This was passed out at an earlier meeting.

219 BROWNING: The summary was provided to you on April 30, 1991.

223 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: We also have a Fiscal Statement dated April 30th, which shows a \$2.4 million effect, not including projections for the Department of Higher Education, Department of Transportation, Adult and Family Services, Employment Division, Department of Forestry, Public Employees Retirement System, and the Legislative Assembly. Those agencies have different accounting systems. - The summary by Ms. Loftus discusses the computer print-out which addresses some of these items.

238 REP. JONES: We see what the Executive Department has in terms of what guidelines they have for themselves. Do we know what other departments have with regard to memberships and subscriptions?

242 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: No, we don't.

243 BROWNING: I believe Marjorie Lowe has been doing some research on that issue and will be able to share information with the Committee.

245 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: I would also say that Paul Allen, the rules specialist at the Executive Department, told Ms. Loftus that there is nothing in the Executive Personnel Policy Handbook about employees dues and subscriptions. With that, Ms. Lowe, would you like to approach the witness table?

251 MARJORIE LOWE, BUDGET SUPERVISOR WITH THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT - BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT DIVISION: I have done a crash course on memberships

and subscriptions over the last few weeks. Basically, our current administrative rule does apply to all agencies subject to Executive Department overview.

259 REP. JONES: So that rule does apply to all the agencies that are under your jurisdiction?

260 LOWE: That is correct. It does not include the legislative branch, the judicial branch, or the constitutional officers.

263 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: So those agencies under your control are subject to your review, but you do not have the information on them, correct?

265 LOWE: I do not have detailed information by agency, by subscription versus membership expenses. Those two items form a single line-item in the Executive Accounting System. The numbers that you see today are not likely to be the same as you will see in the future. They are tightening up this line-item.

276 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: It troubles me when we cannot find out what is spent. Why cannot we get the bottom line on what is spent?

283 LOWE: The agencies vary so much that we do have to allow some flexibility in what the agencies may belong to or acquire with regards to subscriptions.

291 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: I guess I am trying to get at the frustration over not being able to get a dollar amount for what is spent for those items. That is what troubles me. What we have before us does not take into account all of the agencies.

302 LOWE: If we called all of those other agencies, we could get that information.

303 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Could you give that information to Legislative Fiscal? They are having trouble obtaining this information. I am not being critical, because my staff has attempted to get information from all of those agencies and has found it to be very difficult.

307 REP. JONES: Are we talking about money budgeted or money spent, to date? You should be able to get your budgeted monies and expenditures through, say April 30, 199 1.

315 LOWE: This report (Exhibit F) shows what agencies had expended through the money of April.

317 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: But is that all state agencies, including all of those that I have just read?

318 LOWE: No. This does not include all state agencies because they are on separate accounting systems. It would require us to make a call to all agencies in order to get current information.

322 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: On that print-out, could you tell me which agency is listed as number 12,300? The agency which has no appropriation, but has biennial expenditures of \$106,752.33.

331 LOWE: That is the Department of Economic Development. Sometimes agencies enter this data at the larger line-item level, which is the budget code for employee recruitment and development. At times, they do not break that down into the more detailed line items. They are not to over-expend their total funds within that appropriation category. The control is not to the specific accounting line item code. So we do not control it at this level. Instead we make sure they do not overspend in an aggregate sense. The information may not be in the accounting system, but I can assure you that they do have authority to expend funds for those categories.

351 REP. JONES: What kind of guidelines are used within the departments? Are you telling me that departments under the overview of the Executive Department, have the same administrative rules as you have presented to us, i.e. the dash one amendment?

358 LOWE: Yes. That is correct.

360 BROWNING: I incorrectly represented the application of this administrative rule. It applies to all agencies under the regulation of the Executive Department.

363 LOWE: Summarizes what she has learned by talking to many of the agencies with large expenditures for memberships and subscriptions.

449 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Have the 93 agencies listed, as having fees, memberships, and dues told you what you are telling us? Are you representing to us, all the 93 agencies out there that will have problems with this bill?

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016 LOWE: I can promise you I have not talked to all 93 of the agencies.

017 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: I just wanted to stop you, in case you were going to discuss all 93.

018 LOWE: I am trying to cover those issues that are of the greatest importance to the major agencies. I am here in their place. They have called me and expressed their opinions and asked that I represent their concerns. - Discusses her conversation with the State Library, with reference to the bill's effect on subscriptions.

044 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: I am concerned about the language found on line 12 of the original bill. I am worried about the libraries in our high schools. Considering the way this bill is drafted, would this exclude them?

049 LOWE: I believe the state has libraries in the high schools. Hillcrest and MacLaren would be affected.

053 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: But high schools funded through basic school support would not be affected by this bill. That was my only concern with this language.

054 LOWE: Many agencies have technical libraries which warehouse library materials (i.e., Department of Environmental Quality). There are a variety of state agency technical libraries that should be taken into account.

063 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: On the dash one amendments, there is nothing mentioned with regard to subscriptions. Is that something you chose to do?

065 LOWE: This amendment was drafted straight from our administrative rule. I would suggest that we amend lines 3 and 4, to provide for agency memberships in professional organizations and subscriptions, if that is something the Committee would like to add.

071 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Your current policy doesn't cover subscriptions?

072 LOWE: That is correct.

073 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Could you give us your comments on the dash

two amendments?

074 LOWE: In reading through the specific language, I am concerned about the technical libraries that various agencies need to satisfy their mission. If we did the dash two instead of the dash one, I would hope we could broaden the definition of "library" and allow for, in line six, "legislatively approved programs" instead of "statutory mission."

091 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: What is the Committee's comments on this suggested language for line six?

094 REP. HUGO: We are doing a lot of policy in budget notes and other ways that are not statutes. So I think Ms. Lowe has a very good point here.

096 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Any other comments?

097 REP. JONES: I agree. Just the "statutory mission" wouldn't give them the authority to do what we have told them to do.

099 REP. HUGO: Some of the departments have numerous budget notes, i.e., Department of Education.

101 LOWE: The budget reports have not been finished for Higher Education, but the current budget did have quite an extensive list of budget notes.

102 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: For the record, Roger Bassett is nodding his head in agreement to the amount of budget notes for Education.

103 REP. HUGO: He will see a lot more tomorrow.

104 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: I would like to establish a work group to work on this bill. Does the Committee feel we need a broader definition of "library"?

110 REP. HUGO: I am getting more and more leery of dealing with this issue, because of the gold mining bill we just heard. While we were addressing that bill, we found the State Library had nothing on gold mining, but the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries had an extensive library on gold mining for their mining engineers. This bill would prohibit this type of library.

118 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Do you think we should adopt the dash two amendment with the "legislatively approved program" language?

119 REP. HUGO: I am not sure maintaining a library would be considered a "legislatively approved program."

120 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Okay. Then I think that is something that we should amend to the bill. I agree that technical libraries are important. I wouldn't want to impede the legislative process by eliminating this sort of library.

123 REP. HUGO: Many memberships allow for a subscription to a professional journal. I am not sure if you are buying the magazine or buying the membership and getting the magazine in addition.

125 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Good point.

128 REP. JONES: What is the problem we are trying to solve with this bill? I am having trouble with this issue. I have gone through this process in the business world. I don't know enough about memberships and subscriptions to decide if they are crucial to doing the job the employees are asked to do. I don't know that, and I don't know how we are supposed to find that out.

139 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: We are having a difficult time finding this out. Ms. Lowe has been very helpful, but our researcher has had many problems trying to determine this. She was told by one agency that it is the old policy of "use it or lose it." That is what I am trying to get at, certainly not the mining or geology libraries.

149 REP. HUGO: Why don't you let Rep. Derfler and I work on this issue?

149 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Rep. Derfler, I just volunteered you to work on this issue with Marjorie Lowe. Rep. Hugo has volunteered as well. Thank you for your cooperation on this assignment. - Closes work session on HB 2896.

159 REP. JONES: One of the problems we have with the "use it or lose it" policy isn't related to any specific item before us. It has to do with the attitude of "what happens if I don't use it." What benefit is it to me if I don't use this money? We don't deal with that issue here at the Legislative Assembly, yet it is an issue that plagues large organizations and state governments.

164 CHAIRPERSON CLARNO: Absolutely. With that, this meeting is adjourned.

EXHIBIT LOG

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Exhibit C - Chairperson Clarno - 1 page Exhibit D - Executive Department - 1 page  
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