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HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN'S ISSUES

April 10, 1991Hearing Room F 3:00 p.m. Tape 21

MEMBERS PRESENT:Rep. Bob Pickard Rep. Vera Katz, Vice-Chair Rep. Mary Alice Ford Rep. Carolyn Oakley Rep. Beverly Stein

STAFF PRESENT: Lee Penny, Committee Administrator Carolynn Gillson, Committee Assistant

MEASURES CONSIDERED: HB 3403 - Places early intervention programs under sole jurisdiction of Education, PAW

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TAPE 21, SIDE A

005 REP. BOB PICKARD, CHAIR: Calls the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m.

HB 3403 - Early intervention programs sole jurisdiction of Department of Education Public Hearing Witnesses:Kathy Drew, State Early Intervention Council Judy Newman, State Early Intervention Council Karen Brazeau, Department of Education Rick Burke, Department of Education

012 KATHY DREW, chair of the State Early Intervention Council: HB 3403-2 will help bring the state in compliance with PL 99-457 and would transfer the responsibility to the Department of Education (EXHIBIT A).

026 JUDY NEWMAN, member of the State Early Intervention Council: Reviews information in a packet of materials concerning current services, services under this bill and services if the state complies with federal mandates (EXHIBIT B). > Explains why the system would be simpler under compliance with the federal mandate. > Will need about \$9.1 million in order to maintain current services if we do not comply. If we comply, and serve more children, we will be spending about \$13 million. > Issue will not go away if we do not comply.

070 REP. MARY ALICE FORD: How much will we lose if we do not comply and how much will it cost to the federal dollars if we do comply?

DREW: Right now, about \$5.6 million of state money is gone from the mental health budget. If we do not comply, we will lose a little less than \$4 million.

REP. FORD: What is the difference in what it would cost to continue the

current program and what it would cost to come into compliance?

DREW: About \$4 million.

REP. PICKARD: It is my intention today to pass this bill back to the Education committee.

118 KAREN BRAZEAU, Department of Education: Talks about the deficits in the early intervention program resulting from cuts in the Governor's budget. > Reviews the loss of federal funds from not complying with a new federal mandate. > New laws would expand the current program to pick up between 1,600 and 2,000 three and four year olds who are mildly handicapped and not served in the current program. > Amendments speak to whether or not Oregon will comply and expand its early intervention program. > Total cuts for direct services are between \$9.1 and \$9.2 million.

REP. FORD: What does this generate in federal funds?

BRAZEAU: It is not a matching program. The state must be in compliance before children can be claimed as participants in the program. The current program serves a little over 2,000 and the expanded program would serve around 4,000 children.

186 REP. BEVERLY STEIN: Why are the agency cooperative agreements referred to on page 4, line 29, necessary if the program will be under jurisdiction of the Department of Education?

BRAZEAU: Part of the federal mandate requires an attempt to focus the services. It is an attempt to get other agencies to the table to plan comprehensive services for a family. The interagency agreements would establish reason for the agencies to work together. > Department is not prepared to offer any other amendments at this time.

249 RICK BURKE, Department of Education: Reviews information in a chart showing a possible scenario for compliance with P.L. 99-457 (EXHIBIT C).

341 MOTION: Rep. Ford moves to adopt the -2 amendments. There was no objection.

MOTION: Rep. Ford moves HB 3403 as amended to the Education Committee with

recommendation that it be sent to the committee on Ways and Means with a do pass recommendation.

VOTE: In a roll call vote, the motion carried with all members present voting AYE. Excused: Rep. Oakley

374 REP. PICKARD: Adjourns meeting at 3:40 p.m.

Submitted by: Reviewed by:

Carolynn GillsonLee Penny Assistant Administrator

EXHIBIT LOG: A - Amendment to HB 3403 - Early Intervention Council
- 25 pages B - Background on early intervention programs, HB 3403
- Judy Newman - 7 pages C - Chart concerning HB 3403 - Department

