

**COMMITTEE MINUTES for
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

Date: January 30, 2008

Place: Room 116

Convened: 1/30/2008
10:35 AM

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Adjourned: 1/30/2008
11:50 AM

Present: Senators Hatch-CH, Kreiman-VC, Johnson-RM, Ragan, Seymour
Representatives Foege-CH, Gayman-VC, Heaton-RM, Abdul-Samad, Granzow, Miller, L.,
Palmer, Smith, Tomenga

Absent: None

Excused: None

Senator Hatch called the meeting to order at 10:35AM. Roll call was taken and attendance recorded. Minutes of the last meeting were approved as drafted.

Senator Hatch designated a sub-committee to gather information and make recommendations regarding the need for additional funding for county mental health systems. The sub-committee members are Senator Ragan, co-chair; Representative Gayman, co-chair; Senator Johnson; and Representative Heaton. They will meet and bring their report back to the full committee.

The following people addressed the committee: Craig Wood, Linn County; Tom Tibbitts, Trinity Regional Medical Center, Fort Dodge; Dan Strellner, Abbe Center for Community Mental Health, Cedar Rapids; Cindy Kaestner, Abbe Center for Community Mental Health, Cedar Rapids; John Winkelman, Howard Center, Sac City; Dr. Allen Parks, DHS. Several handouts were distributed to members of the committee. Committee members had the opportunity to ask questions of the presenters.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50AM following a motion by Rep. Abdul-Samad.

Senator Jack Hatch

Susan Salter, Committee Secretary