

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

Date: January 29, 2009

Place: Room 116

Convened: 1/29/2009
10:30 AM

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Adjourned: 1/29/2009
11:55 AM

Present: Senators Hatch-CH, Ragan-VC, Johnson-RM, Schmitz
Representatives Heddens-CH, Thede-VC, Heaton-RM, Miller, L., Rayhons, Schulte,
Shomshor, Smith, Wessel-Kroeschell

Absent: None

Excused: Senator Hartsuch

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 am by Senator Hatch. Roll call was taken and attendance recorded. Minutes of the January 27th meeting were approved as drafted.

Senator Hatch provided a notebook of resource information from the Iowa Mental Health Planning Council to subcommittee members. The notebook includes legislative priorities for mental health issues for interest groups and state agencies.

The Mental Health subcommittee appointed by this subcommittee met on Wednesday, January 28th, and will meet each Wednesday for several weeks.

The Resource Centers for Disabilities subcommittee has its first meeting on Thursday, February 5th at 7:30 am in Room 102. The subcommittee will meet each Thursday at 7:30 for several weeks.

Senator Hatch provided copies of the Health Information Technology booklet which includes information about all states' legislative action on health care. This information was compiled by the Nat'l Conference of State Legislatures. Extra copies were provided to Director Newton, Dept. of Public Health.

To provide the subcommittee with information on the implementation progress of HF 2539, Director Tom Newton, Department of Public Health, John Aschenbrenner of the Choice Advisory Council, Anita Smith of the Department of Human Services, and Dr. Tom Evans, Iowa Health Care Collaborative gave presentations and provided handouts. Subcommittee members asked questions of the presenters. Presenters will provide additional information to members.

Jess Benson, LSA staff, provided a spreadsheet showing the Governor's recommendations for FY 10 and the estimated net expenditures for FY'09. LSA staff will review the information on the spreadsheet at the February 3rd meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 am.

Senator Jack Hatch

Doris Taylor, Committee Secretary