COMMITTEE MINUTES for
JUSTICE SYSTEM
APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

Date: February 21, 2001 **Place:** Room 24

Convened: 9:42 AM **Recessed:** **Reconvened:** **Adjourned:** 11:30 AM

Present: Senators Angelo-CH, McKean-VC, Dvorsky-RM, Maddox
Representatives Horbach-CH, Eichhorn-VC, Bell-RM, Cormack, Jacobs, Larkin, Richardson, Shey, Tremmel

Absent: Fraise

Excused:

Senator Angelo called the meeting to order at 9:42 AM. The secretary called the roll.

Representative Larkin moved to approve the minutes of the previous two meetings. The motion prevailed.

Senator Angelo recognized Jean Kuehl for an overview of Restorative Justice. Ms. Kuehl discussed what Restorative Justice is and the importance of proactive communities to prevent crime. Ms. Kuehl then showed a news clip detailing restorative justice.

Ms. Kuehl introduced Linda Sorenson, Mary Roche, and Betty Brown of the Victim Component of Restorative Justice. They discussed some of the programs they are utilizing. Questions followed by members of the committee.

Then, Ms. Kuehl introduced Carol Luth to talk about community service for offenders. Questions followed. Representative Horbach, on behalf of the committee, congratulated Ms. Luth for getting an International Justice Volunteerism Award for Project Green Seasons.

Ms. Kuehl introduced Curt Campbell to talk about the Accountability Board. This is an 18-member board where offenders talk about their offense and talk with their victims or other community members. Questions followed.

Next, Ms. Kuehl introduced Rod Courtney who briefly discussed Family Group Conferencing. This is a program that gets the offender's family involved in the probation and parole process.

Ms. Kuehl introduced Virgil Gooding who discussed how to create communities. He is involved in a program that helps people meet others in the community through free suppers.

Ms. Kuehl then introduced Jennifer Guild who very briefly talked about community outreach in the Fifth Judicial District.

Jean Kuehl concluded the presentation by discussing their three programming priorities of accountability, competency development, and community protection.

Representation Eichhorn moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.

Senator Angelo adjourned the meeting at 11:30 AM.

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Senator Jeff Angelo, Committee Chair Jennifer Johnson, Committee Secretary