# COMMITTEE MINUTES for
# HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

**Date:** February 15, 2005 **Place:** Room 116

**Convened:** 2/15/2005 9:45 AM **Recessed:** **Reconvened:** **Adjourned:** 2/15/2005 11:15 AM

**Present:** Senators Hatch-CC, Tinsman-CC, Bolkcom, Johnson, Ragan, Seymour
Representatives Heaton-CH, Granzow-VC, Foege-RM, Berry, Kurtenbach, Mascher, Smith, Upmeyer, Wilderdyke

**Absent:** None

**Excused:** None

Senator Hatch called the meeting to order; roll call was taken. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Senator Hatch gave a brief introduction regarding the speakers and network of federally and locally funded organizations providing medical assistance for uninsured individuals.

Speakers:
-Drs. Steve Eckstat, Medical Director, Mercy West Medical Clinic, and Gilbert Ramirez, Dean, College of Health Sciences, Des Moines University, regarding the volunteer healthcare network of Free Clinics of Iowa (Handout A)
- Libby Coyte (PA)regarding rural health clinics (Handout B)
- Christa Spielbauer, MPH Student and Project Coordinator responded to an inquiry from the Committee
- Ted Boesen, Exec. Dir., IA/NE Primary Care Association; Mark Prosser, Chief of Police in Storm Lake; and Mary Rose Corrigan from the City of Dubuque Health Department regarding Community Health Centers(Handout C)

Senator Bolkom moved to arise, and the meeting was adjourned.

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Handouts:
A) Free Clinics of Iowa packet and DMU 2004 Study of Iowa's Free Clinics
B) Presentation document from Iowa Association of Rural Health Clinics
C) Iowa/Nebraska Primary Care Association presentation document and attachment from NCSL "Community Health Centers: An Update"; CHC Map; and Community Development Efforts

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Senator Jack Hatch

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Jill Beni, Committee Secretary