

**1999 HOUSE HUMAN SERVICES**

**HCR 3002**

1999 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HCR 3002

House Human Services Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date January 18, 1999

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
2		X	19.7 - 28.0
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Susann Luidtkeisen</i>			

Minutes:

THERESA SNYDER, Tribal Liaison, Department of Human Services testified (Testimony attached)

BETTY KEEGAN, Rolette County Social Services, testified. Add to testimony presented that in Rolette County about  $\frac{3}{4}$  of total home and community based services to the elderly is provided to the Native American population. We work cooperatively with the Indian Health Service Agency.

Rep. PAT GALVIN moved DO PASS.

Rep. CHET POLLERT second the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE No. 1: 12 yeas, 0 nays, 3 absent and not voting

Carrier: Rep. PAT GALVIN

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Date:  
Roll Call Vote #: /

1999 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES  
BILL/RESOLUTION NO.

House Human Services Committee

Subcommittee on \_\_\_\_\_  
or  
 Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number \_\_\_\_\_

Action Taken DO PASS

Motion Made By Pat Galvin Seconded By Chet Pollert

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Clara Sue Price - Chairwoman	X		Bruce A. Eckre	X	
Robin Weisz - Vice Chairwoman	X		Ralph Metcalf	X	
William R. Devlin	X		Carol A. Niemeier	X	
Pat Galvin	X		Wanda Rose	X	
Dale L. Henegar	X		Sally M. Sandvig		
Roxanne Jensen	X				
Amy N. Kliniske					
Chet Pollert	X				
Todd Porter	X				
Blair Thoreson					

Total (Yes) 12 No 0

Absent 3

Floor Assignment Pat Galvin

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)  
January 18, 1999 5:28 p.m.

Module No: HR-10-0787  
Carrier: Galvin  
Insert LC: . Title: .

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**HCR 3002: Human Services Committee (Rep. Price, Chairman) recommends DO PASS and BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR (12 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 3 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3002 was placed on the Tenth order on the calendar.**

**1999 SENATE HUMAN SERVICES**

**HCR 3002**

1999 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HCR3002

Senate Human Services Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date MARCH 9, 1999

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
1	X		5,999
1		X	
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Carol Kalodziejewski</i>			

Minutes:

The hearing was opened on HCR3002.

PAUL KRAMER, Legislative Council, explained the bill. This is one of five studies we had in the interim. We didn't get far in the last interim, so this is a continuation of that study. The Task Force on LTC planning should put a separate working group on each reservation and that never got off the ground. The problem was that trying to get all reservations to work together with one group. They are basically working with each reservation separately now.

THERESA SNYDER, Tribal liaison for Dept of Human Services, supports bill with written testimony. SENATOR DEMERS asked why were they unable to establish a subcommittee?

MR. LARSON: The idea was good; the approach was not. Reservation organized differently from one another. We needed to keep the study alive and the only way was to get another resolution. If this establishes a dialogue, something will be accomplished. Long Term Care is

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not BIA assisted. It is left to the family. Social Services differ from reservation to reservation.

Some do good job; some do nothing.

The hearing was closed.

SENATOR FISCHER moved a DO PASS and to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

SENATOR DEMERS seconded it. Roll call vote carried 6-0-0. SENATOR MUTZENBERGER

will carry the bill.

Date: 3/9/99  
Roll Call Vote #: 1

1999 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES  
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 3002

Senate HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE Committee

Subcommittee on \_\_\_\_\_  
or  
 Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number \_\_\_\_\_

Action Taken Do Pass

Motion Made By Sen Fischer Seconded By Sen DeMers

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Senator Thane	✓				
Senator Kilzer	✓				
Senator Fischer	✓				
Senator Lee	✓				
Senator DeMers	✓				
Senator Mutzenberger	✓				

Total 6 (yes) 0 (no)

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Sen Mutzenberger

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)  
March 9, 1999 1:35 p.m.

Module No: SR-42-4350  
Carrier: Mutzenberger  
Insert LC: . Title: .

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**HCR 3002: Human Services Committee (Sen. Thane, Chairman) recommends DO PASS and BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3002 was placed on the Tenth order on the calendar.**

**1999 TESTIMONY**

**HCR 3002**

**HOUSE HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3002**

**January 18, 1999**

**Madam Chairman and members of the House Human Services Committee, my name is Theresa Snyder, Tribal Liaison for the Department of Human Services. I appear before you today to provide information and to support this resolution.**

**North Dakota's efforts to plan for its aging population are complex and in order to develop a meaningful plan for the delivery of services, I believe strongly we must also know the needs of the American Indian elders residing on our reservations. I am afraid certain stereotypes or assumptions could prevent American Indian people from receiving the level of consideration and services they need. I believe it is true many elders are taken care of by family at home, but do the elders and caregivers understand the delivery system? Are they receiving the services they are eligible for? Do we know what types of financial or emotional hardships the family may be experiencing?**

**The Department also supports the recommendation to create a working group on each of the Reservations. For those who have not worked in Indian Country, the Tribe and State delivery systems do not mirror one another. Each Reservation has its own government, customs, strengths and weaknesses. This can create a special challenge, not to be criticized but to be understood and appreciated.**

**Finally, if I may, we must remember we are dealing with the Tribes elderly, who may be quite vulnerable and full of fear and may not understand the outside systems that get involved "to help". Ultimately, their lives are changed. I would therefore, also encourage the greatest sensitivity when approaching this effort. There has been a history of various entities studying tribal people and at times it**

feels very intrusive. It is essential we learn from them their needs but I would also recommend the results of the study be shared with the Tribal entities.

The Department of Human Services supports this Study Resolution and urges a due pass. I thank you for this opportunity to speak with you today. If you have any questions, I would be happy to answer them at this time.

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