



STATE OF OREGON

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: Governor Atiyeh

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FROM: Bob Oliver *BO*MAY 12 1982
Governor Atiyeh

SUBJECT: Cabinet Meeting, Tuesday, May 11, 1982

Because you and Gerry could not attend cabinet meeting today, I called it to order and took notes.

Human Resources. Leo Hegstrom made reference to an unanticipated drop in ADC caseloads last month. He said one should not draw any conclusions from that experience about the future, however. Jerry Brown said AFS implemented a new medical management information system for Marion County on May 1, but plans to go statewide on June 1 may have to be deferred because of "bugs" discovered in the system. Under federal rules there is a requirement that the system be in place by September 1.

Elderly Affairs. Dick Ladd reported that nursing home caseloads also are going down, and the division relocated 24 residents last month.

Parole Board. Hazel Hays reported adoption of new rules implementing 1981 legislation. She said a minority coalition claims the present system discriminates against minorities, and suggest* that a special matrix be devised which would discount some factors reflecting their special problems (e.g., alcohol among Indians, narcotics among members of the Black community). She says the Peoples rehearing is scheduled for May 20, but did not speculate on the outcome.

Secretary of State. Norma Paulus says her agency is involved in preparing for the upcoming primary election, but sees no special problems. A study of the recent Antelope election is continuing.

Vocational Rehabilitation. Business is better than ever at sheltered workshops, primarily because Tektronic is farming out certain work (e.g., construction of pallets) rather than hiring people to do it itself.

Law Enforcement Council. Keith Stubblefield discussed a bill pending before Congress under which \$55 million would be appropriated for maintenance of justice statistics, some of it presumably being available to Oregon for continuation of a crime analysis program.

Workers' Compensation. Fred Segrest said a new premium assessment will be announced this week, and it probably will amount to a steep increase.

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Transportation. Fred Miller discussed an increasingly common phenomenon in the Highway Division, involving the increasing difficulty of filling positions in more remote areas with qualified personnel. Employees are reluctant to move, even when a promotion is involved, because of difficulty in selling their homes and then having to buy a new residence at inflated interest rates. He discussed a system in Wyoming, under which the state effectively buys the old residence and subsidizes the employees with respect to higher interest rates for the new residence. Bob Smith indicated it may be a while before the State of Oregon can seriously consider such a program. Leo Hegstrom indicated this has not yet become a common problem in DHR.

Educational Coordination. T.K. Olson discussed the commission's recent refusal to certify the American College of Naturopathic Medicine in Salem, which means three students who were to graduate in June will not be receiving diplomas. He said the facility is hopelessly out of compliance with even minimal standards of naturopathic instruction. Dave Frohnmayer indicated there could be a legal problem with respect to the three students, because they were already in the midst of their curriculum when the Legislature gave the commission jurisdiction over the college in 1981. Olson indicated he does not have discretion under the law to grant a waiver with respect to these three. Frohnmayer says he has no reason to doubt that, but nevertheless would not be surprised to see the law challenged, with uncertain results.

cc: Gerry Thompson