



NOTICE OF MEETING

TO: Health and Human Services Interim Committee

FROM: Mark D. Andrews, Research Analyst

DATE: May 8, 2002

SUBJECT: May 22 Meeting

Sen. Terry R. Spencer and Rep. Carl R. Saunders have scheduled a meeting of the Health and Human Services Interim Committee as follows:

DATE: **Wednesday, May 22, 2002**

TIME: **2:00 p.m.**

PLACE: **Room 416 State Capitol**

An agenda is included. If you are unable to attend, please call me or Alicia Laughlin at 538-1032.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Sen. Terry R. Spencer, Senate Chair

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AGENDA
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES INTERIM COMMITTEE
Wednesday, May 22, 2002 – 2:00 p.m. – Room 416 State Capitol

1. Call to Order and Approval of April 24, 2002 Minutes

2. Interim Study Topics

Last month committee members prioritized topics for interim study. The committee will review a proposed outline for interim study.

3. Accessible Housing for the Disabled

Item 12 of the Master Study Resolution calls for the Legislature "to study ways to increase the availability of housing that can be accessed by disabled individuals." The committee will consider a proposal from the Disability Law Center for ensuring greater accessibility.

4. FACT (Families, Agencies, and Communities Together for Children and Youth At Risk)

At its last meeting, the Executive Appropriations Committee reviewed a proposal by the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst to conduct a study of the FACT program pursuant to Item 6 of the Master Study Resolution which directs the Legislature to study FACT, "its funding levels, [and] the effectiveness of the program in delivering services to those with special needs, and [to] determine whether one state department should be made responsible for the program."

Because of its strong interest in this topic, the interim committee will also review the fiscal analyst's proposed study.

5. Obesity

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has referred to obesity as an "epidemic." In collaboration with the CDC, the National Conference of State Legislatures has prepared a resource video for state legislators outlining the causes, effects, costs, and potential policy approaches for dealing with what is becoming a significant public health issue. The committee will review the video and discuss options for further action.

6. Calcium Initiative

One of the apparent causes of the obesity epidemic has been the increased consumption of soft drinks. This change in dietary patterns has come at the expense of milk consumption and led to concerns that people, particularly adolescents, are not consuming enough calcium.

At NCSL's annual meeting last year, the Agriculture and International Trade Committee adopted the *National Calcium Initiative*, supporting "purchasing preferences legislation of calcium-fortified foods and beverages over non-fortified products in all public institutions." The interim committee will review proposed purchasing preference legislation.

7. Other Business

8. Adjourn