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## MINUTES OF THE HOUSE FEDERAL & STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Mays at 1:45 p.m. on April 4, 2002 in Room 313-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Ethel Peterson, Excused

Representative Dan Williams, Excused

Committee staff present: Mary Torrence, Revisor of Statutes

Russell Mills, Legislative Research Analyst Shelia Pearman, Committee Secretary

Others attending: See attached list

Chairman Mays reopened discussion of HB 2945 - Child in need of care; central registry for child abuse perpetrators; definition of abuse; family preservation. Representative McCreary provided a further revised version of the amendment distributed on April 3. (Attachment #1) During further discussion, Representative Ruff stated that as a former social worker she believe the proposed legislation was beyond the committee's ability to resolve without all the facts due to the lateness of the session and recommended this issue be referred to the Judicial Council. Discussion by various committee members cited as a citizen legislature elected by the people that the legislators should strive to resolve the issue.

Representative McCreary made a motion to amend HB 2945 (Attachment #2). Representative Dahl seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Representative Ruff made a motion to send HB 2945 to Judicial Council for review. Representative Rehorn seconded the motion. The motion failed 10-10.

Representative McCreary made a motion to recommend HB 2945 favorable for passage as amended. Representative Dahl seconded the motion. The motion carried 11-10.

Chairman Mays requested consideration of <u>HR 6013 - Urging Congress to fund ultrasound equipment for crisis pregnancy centers.</u> Representative McCreary moved adoption of the resolution. Representative Mason seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m. Any additional meetings would be at the call of the Chair.