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JOINT COMMITTEE ON HEALTH POLICY OVERSIGHT

January 18, 2006 Room 514-S—Statehouse

Members Present

Representative Melvin Neufeld, Chairman Senator James Barnett, Vice Chairman Senator David Haley Senator Susan Wagle Representative Bob Bethell Representative Bill Feuerborn Representative Brenda Landwehr Representative Louis Ruiz

Members Absent

Senator Roger Reitz Senator Vicki Schmidt Representative Peggy Mast

Staff Present

Terri Weber, Legislative Research Department Jim Wilson, Revisor of Statutes Renae Jefferies, Revisor of Statutes Nikki Feuerborn, Administrative Assistant Shirley Jepson, Committee Secretary

Others Attending

See attached list.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Melvin Neufeld at 10:45 a.m., on January 18, 2006 in Room 514-S of the Statehouse.

Representative Landwehr moved to approve the minutes of December 13, 2005, as written. The motion was seconded by Representative Feuerborn. <u>Motion carried</u>.

The Interim Committee report, as approved, was distributed to the Committee (<u>Attachment</u> <u>1</u>).

Representative Landwehr moved to request that the agendas and minutes of the Health Policy Authority meetings be made available on the Legislative Research Department website. The motion was seconded by Senator Wagle. <u>Motion carried</u>.

The Committee discussed the importance of allowing the Health Policy Authority to work independently and with flexibility; however, felt it also is important for the Oversight Committee to review any memorandums of understanding pertaining to the movement or transfer of funds during the transition process.

Representative Landwehr moved that all memorandums of understanding be presented to the Health Policy Oversight Committee for review before being implemented. The motion was seconded by Representative Ruiz. <u>Motion carried</u>.

The Chairman announced that future Committee meetings will be "on call of the Chair" and requested that any concerns be brought to the Chairman's attention. The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Prepared by Shirley Jepson Edited by Terri Weber

Approved by Committee on:

March 1, 2006 (date)

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