

PROCLAMATION

I, Tom Craddick, Speaker of the House of Representatives, create the Select Committee on Services for Individuals Eligible for Intermediate Care Facility Services under the authority of Rule 1, Section 16(b), of the Rules of the House, 80th Legislature.

The Select Committee on Services for Individuals Eligible for Intermediate Care Facility Services is composed of the following members of the House of Representatives:

Rep. Larry Phillips (Chair)

Rep. John Zerwas (Vice Chair)

Rep. Myra Crownover

Rep. Susan King

Rep. Armando Martinez

Rep. Dora Olivo

Rep. Joe Pickett

Rep. Patrick Rose

Rep. Vicki Truitt

The Select Committee on Services for Individuals Eligible for Intermediate Care Facility Services has jurisdiction over all matters pertinent to systems in this state for the care of persons with cognitive and developmental disabilities who are eligible for the services of intermediate care facilities. The select committee's jurisdiction includes:

(1) investigating and recommending strategies to improve the quality of and availability of appropriate services for persons with cognitive and developmental disabilities who are

eligible for the services of intermediate care facilities, while ensuring the safety and well-being of individuals being served in community settings and institutional settings;

(2) reviewing functional assessment tools used to assess persons with cognitive and developmental disabilities who are eligible for the services of intermediate care facilities;

(3) evaluating this state's ability to comply with federal regulations and directives regarding services for persons with cognitive and developmental disabilities who are eligible for the services of intermediate care facilities and this state's ability to implement generally accepted practices for those services;

(4) assessing the adequacy of the "community safety net" in this state's mental retardation authority system after considering the increased longevity of persons with cognitive and developmental disabilities and their aging parents and other caregivers;

(5) reviewing the waiting lists for Medicaid home and community waiver services;
and

(6) assessing the risks to the health and well-being of persons with cognitive and developmental disabilities who are eligible for intermediate care facility services that are not currently being addressed by this state's current system of supports.

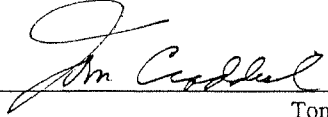
The Select Committee on Services for Individuals Eligible for Intermediate Care Facility Services may request assistance from any executive branch agency.

The Select Committee on Services for Individuals Eligible for Intermediate Care Facility Services shall report the select committee's findings and recommendations to the House of Representatives and the Speaker of the House not later than December 1, 2008. The select committee's report may include draft legislation or recommendations for legislation.

The Select Committee on Services for Individuals Eligible for Intermediate Care Facility

Services is dissolved on the issuance of the select committee's report.

1/15/08
Date


Tom Craddick
Speaker of the House