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HB 1014

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2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 1014

House Appropriations Committee  
Human Resources Division

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date January 15, 2003

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Two	XX		
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Minutes:

Chairman Delzer called the meeting to order with Reps. Kempenich and Kerzman absent. Reps. Kempenich and Kerzman joined the meeting five minutes later.

Lt. Governor Jack Dalrymple started the testimony in favor of the bill. Lt. Governor Dalrymple asked the committee to give the bill its full attention and noted that this program has done a tremendous amount of good work for the children and families of North Dakota. In addition, he asked the committee to think about the long-term function with regard to the budget of the organization.

Senator Rich Wardner, who is a board member of Region 8, Children's Services Coordinating Committee and a member of the Dickinson Chamber of Congress continue the testimony in favor of the bill. Senator Wardner stated for the record that this organization has been valuable in enhancing the lives of children and families and is now in the process of providing an even

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higher level of service in his district. He said that the CCSC fulfills many functions that other agencies do not and hoped that the committee recognized that CCSC fulfills a valuable collaborate role particularly with respect to finding and assisting groups in finding grants and other sources of funding.

**Ms. Sandy Bendewald, Director CSCC (see attached testimony)**

Ms. Bendewald testifying in favor of the bill, was asked about Random Moment Time studies and the mechanics of them. In addition, Ms. Bendewald does not see any additional decreases in funding unless the definition of "candidate" changes again. The changed and much more narrow definition of "candidate" is what has caused the current decrease in funding. In addition, the committee asked Bendewald whether or not she has seen a decrease in Participating Agencies (PAs). She stated that there had been a drop off for a variety of reasons. In addition, the committee asked how much money the tribal PA's generate. She stated that she didn't know for certain and would provide those figures to the committee. Chairman Delzer asked for a breakdown of the budget by grant. Rep. Kempenich asked whether or not the grant funds are disseminated by CCSC. Ms. Bendewald stated that CCSC just facilitates the process, but has no hand on the funds and that the actual grant applicant is the PA.

Further questioning from the committee included discussion about the relationship between the CCSC and DHS and whether or not there would be any conflict of interest if monies were distributed directly to DHS. Bendewald stated that there wouldn't be any conflicts but that would minimize the collaboration that CCSC has fostered with other organizations. Bendewald also stated that because so many PA's have a relationship with CCSC, that many have volunteered their resources to help the program.

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**Mr. Mike Ahmann, Region VII, CSCC Board President (see attached testimony)**

Mr. Ahmann, in response to questioning from Chairman Delzer, stated that the funds received for the program go into the general fund or may become slated for specific programs. He also stated that much of the administrative time that is spent on the program is primarily financial in origin but that much of the functions are computerized.

In addition, Chairman Delzer asked about the online community directory that Region VII maintains. Mr. Ahmann responded that the directory is self-sustaining and was originally set up with grant money.

**Ms. Joan Miller, Director, East Central Special Education**

Ms. Miller testified in support of the bill. Her school is a PA in the CSCC program and has interests in both Region VI and VII which she feels gives her a unique perspective to see the collaborative power of the CSCC program. Ms. Miller feels this collaboration has been very important in creating relationships between entities and continues to foster a positive environment. Further, Ms. Miller stated that in her opinion, the collaboration fostered through this programs is more valuable than the actual funds in question. In addition, Ms. Miller sees the grant money as being best used as seed money to start new programs that are needed. Ms. Miller also stated that the funds that her school receives go into the general fund but are earmarked for specific functions.

**Ms. Sharon Unruh, Administrator, Central Valley Health Unit (see attached testimony)**

Ms. Unruh stated that while her organization doesn't receive large amounts of money from the program, the collaborative aspect is invaluable.

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Sheri McMahon, Citizen (see attached testimony)

Didn't actually testify, sent testimony to committee.

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House Appropriations Committee  
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Minutes: Committee Work

**Chairman Delzer** called the meeting to order with all members present except Vice-chairman Warnke and Rep. Kempenich.

**Sandy Bendewald, Director, Childrens Services Coordinating Committee, (see attached)** provided the committee with answers to inquiries from the earlier hearing. In addition, **Karol Riedman, Technical Consultant, CCSC**, also provided the committee with a time frame for receiving the last quarter's figures.

Discussion centered around the income levels earned by each region over the past two biennia.

There was also discussion regarding administrative costs. **Chairman Delzer** stated that he is concerned that with reduced income levels, that administrative costs will eat into the funds available for programs.

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**Bendewald** explained pages 8-17 of provided information which explained the role of regional and tribal CSCCs. In addition, she explained the breakdown of expenditures and thinks some of the federal guidelines may change again and in a way that positively affects the CSCCs. On pages 19 and 20, she provided a listing of PA's and stated that she had been told by many that there would have to be at least a 50% or more drop in income to induce them to discontinue the program.

**Chairman Delzer** wondered if the committee had ever thought of combining regions in order to save on administrative costs. **Bendewald** replied that they had committed a lot of time to that idea but that the issue had not been decided. **Chairman Delzer** asked **Bendewald** to spend some time on the idea and to report back to the committee later in the afternoon. In addition, **Rep. Kerzman** asked to see what other funds the CSCCs have been able to raise via other funding sources.

**Paul Ronningen, Director, Children & Family Services, DHS** briefly testified as to his division's view of and affiliation with the CSCC. **Chairman Delzer** asked about the partnership program and funding. **Ronningen** said that **Karen Larson** is the individual in charge of that, but that the program is included in the current and proposed budget. He also said that there has been a change in relationship with the tribes and that they want to administer their funds much like county-level social services do. In addition, **Ronningen** stated the biggest desire of the CSCC is to retain local control of funds and programs.

**Rep. Kerzman** had questions regarding the courts and **Ronningen** stated that the administration through the courts is very smooth.

Recess.

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**Sandy Bendewald, Director, CSCC, (see attached)** began testimony by providing a spreadsheet that outlined grants received by region, which was broken down by biennium. She also provided a sheet showing the impact of combining regions. She stated that with core mission of collaboration in place, combining regions will not work in her view. With regard to the partnership project, Bendewald said that she ideally wants a presence in each region. She also said that the funding levels have dropped as low as they are going to and will probably start to build back up again over time.

**Chairman Delzer** asked about the validity of the state board.

**Bendewald** said that the expenses incurred by the committee were very low and serves as a valuable tool that departmental heads are able to use as an opportunity to brainstorm and collaborate on solutions.

**Roxanne Bossart, Region VII Coordinator** testified as to grants received, the grant writing process, and her role within it. In addition, explained the Sheridan county coalition that has been successful in receiving grant funds.

**Chairman Delzer** asked whether she could say for certain that the grants received were as a direct result of her efforts. **Bossart** replied that her role is integral in the process. She said that because the organizations are smaller, her role as administrator facilitates that process and makes it more effective.

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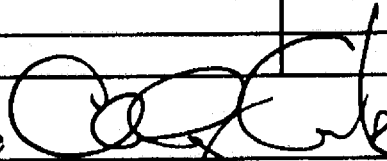
2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 1014

House Appropriations Committee  
Human Resources Division

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date February 12, 2003

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Minutes: Committee Work


**Chairman Delzer** stated that he was concerned regarding the granting levels and that so much of the money is being spent for administration.

**Rep. Kerzman** stated that he understands that concern, but thinks that because of the value of collaboration, that the committee be given the chance to go forward. In addition, he said that he feels that money doesn't always go where it was intended to go.

**Chairman Delzer** stated that last year \$600,000 was used in the partnership and that he thinks it is important to get as much of the funds granted out because it assists kids who are already at risk.

There was continued discussion regarding the amendments and the 2.794 and that the \$391,160 (10%) for DHS, the \$139,700 (5%) for the Coordinating committee, and the \$922,020 (31.5%) would have to come out of the 2.794.

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**Rep. Kerzman** asked where the funds would go if project were discontinued and learned that it would go directly to DHS.

**Rep. Kerzman** moved to correct for the salaries and wages, removing the Governor's proposal, correct the numbers on page one to reflect \$2.794 using the percentages recommended by the Governor, use 10% for DHS, 5% to statewide coordinating committee, 50% to participating agencies, 35% to regional/tribal, or in essence going back to the original bill, except raising the special fund expenditure or 2.7 minus the 10%.

**Rep. Metcalf** seconded the motion and it passed in a voice vote, six to zero.

**Chairman Delzer** requested a reporting requirement be added to the bill and suggested some language--such as reporting twice per year to a committee of LC's choice to keep legislature informed of use of refinancing dollars.

**Rep. Kempenich** agreed with that idea and said that during the interim we need to conduct some oversight to see how the process is going.

In addition, there was discussion regarding section 6, and continued concerns regarding the funds used for administration.

**Vice Chairman Warnke** moved that a section 7 be added that adds a reporting requirement and was seconded by **Rep. Kempenich**. The motion passed in a voice vote, six to zero.

**Rep. Kempenich** moved to do pass as amended and was seconded by **Rep. Kerzman**.

The motion passed six to zero and will be carried by **Rep. Kempenich**.

# 2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

## BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1014

House Appropriations Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date 02-14-03

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3	X		1.1
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Minutes:

**Chairman Svedjan** Opened HB 1014 for discussion. A quorum was present.

**Rep. Kempenich** I move amendment 38014.0103 to HB 1014. 2nd by **Rep. Delzer**. There are significant changes from last biennium to this biennium. The federal government changed how they get paid on time-share and it hit them hard. They realized on their projections that they would get \$430,000 more than what they had planned on, so we incorporated that in. They also increased from a .7 FTE to a .8. They increased the operating line and the 3rd line somewhat too. The problem with this was on page 2 section 5 we were requesting a report. We changed line 7 to insert 50% rather than 20%. This budget was hit hard and we wanted to make sure they were getting granting. Most of this money is going to administrative purposes.

**Rep. Delzer** We should point out that on the green sheet, the percentage changes from last year to this year. We kept the amount of the participating entities would get the same amount that they got last time. The 50% of the total generated now creates the same dollar amounts as the

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30% did last year. The 35% for administrative and collaborative efforts is a decrease of what they got last year. In 1997, this coordinating committee is all federal dollars. The administration was spending all the money. They made some good changes.

**Rep. Aarsvold** Are administrative linkages available for this?

**Rep. Delzer** They don't want any changes on this. We will grant those wishes at this time.

**Chairman Svedjan** Of the 2.79 million dollars, 279,000 goes to the Department of Human Services? That is administrative costs, then we have another 139,700 for administrative costs for the coordinating committee. What does the Department of Human Services use that 200,000 for?

**Rep. Kempenich** They support operations within their department.

**Rep. Warnke** It is a little of both. They are the ones that actually have to turn the concept in to the federal government, so there is some administrative costs. It is questionable whether or not it takes the entire \$279,000.

**Chairman Svedjan** So there are administrative costs for the DHS for the CFCC administration and there is also some money on the tribal collaboration. Something over \$400,000 is going for administration.

**Rep. Delzer** Its a whole lot worse than that. Its administration collaboration. Currently there are 8 regional committees, 2 of them will have granting money. They wanted one more shot for collaboration.

**Chairman Svedjan** 20% goes to administration, half is for job creation and the other half is for original intent.

**Motion Carries**

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**Rep. Martinson** I move to add an emergency clause to this bill. 2nd by Rep. Monson.

**Rep. Delzer** I believe its all carry over money.

**Alan Knudson** This applies to section 5 and 6 of the bill.

**Rep. Delzer** We put that in the '97 and not to use it for administration.

**Rep. Timm** Is that good or bad?

**Rep. Delzer** That depends.

**Rep. Timm** Isn't that what they're all about?

**Rep. Delzer** That' when they had money and the dollars were going up. Now they tell us the most important key is their collaboration.

**Rep. Glassheim** If you had 7 million dollars, 20 percent of that is 1.4 million dollars. If that's divided by 8 and you wanted to put a maximum on it, but now you are dealing with 2 million. 20 percent is probably under the 50,000 you allowed them last time.

**Rep. Delzer** Administrative is 35 % in the bill.

**Rep. Timm** Does this committee have a person who works in Bismarck?

**Rep. Delzer** This is a statewide committee.

**Rep. Timm** Do all of these committee members get paid?

**Rep. Delzer** Most are volunteer, but each committee has one FTE coordinator.

**Rep. Skarphol** How much is the carry-over?

**Rep. Delzer** I'm not sure.

**Rep. Timm** What is the time share?

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**Rep. Delzer** Its based on having recipients who are juveniles in the foster care system. They have to be 4-D. The courts, schools, and federal government are all involved. They will reimburse refinancing dollars that apply to services appropriate.

**Chairman Svedjan** The affect of the emergency clause, the fear is that they may be below the 20%?

**Rep. Delzer** The fear is that they don't want to be down to that 20% number.

**Chairman Svedjan** Its more for administrative than grants?

**Rep. Delzer** Yes.

**Rep. Carlson** It doesn't seem the right way to run a railroad. We're chasing our tails on this thing.

**Rep. Kempenich** Region 8 lost their director, they've run out of money.

**Motion Carries**

**Rep. Kempenich** I move a Do Pass. 2nd by Rep. Delzer Motion Carries 22-0-1. Rep. Kempenich will carry this bill.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1014

Page 1, line 2, after the semicolon insert "to provide an appropriation to the department of human services;"

Page 1, line 11, replace "61,954" with "66,405"

Page 1, line 12, replace "58,681" with "73,295"

Page 1, line 13, replace "2,006,459" with "2,179,320"

Page 1, line 14, replace "2,127,094" with "2,319,020"

Page 1, after line 19, insert:

**"SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - PARTNERSHIP PROJECT.** There is appropriated from federal funds derived from the department of human services' share of the children's services coordinating committee's "refinancing" process the sum of \$200,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of human services for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the department's "partnership" project for the biennium beginning July 1, 2003, and ending June 30, 2005."

Page 2, line 8, replace "10" with "17"

Page 2, line 10, replace "35" with "31.5"

Page 2, line 14, replace "50" with "46.5"

Renumber accordingly

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**

**House Bill No. 1014 - Children's Services Coordinating Committee - House Action**

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE CHANGES	HOUSE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$61,954	\$4,451	\$66,405
Operating expenses	58,681	14,614	73,295
Grants	<u>2,006,459</u>	<u>172,861</u>	<u>2,179,320</u>
Total all funds	\$2,127,094	\$191,926	\$2,319,020
Less estimated income	<u>2,127,094</u>	<u>191,926</u>	<u>2,319,020</u>
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.70	0.10	0.80

**Dept. 324 - Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Detail of House Changes**

	REMOVES RECOMMENDED SALARY INCREASE 1	INCREASES REFINANCING INCOME 2	REALLOCATES "REFINANCING" FUNDS 3	TOTAL HOUSE CHANGES
Salaries and wages	(\$594)	\$5,045		\$4,451
Operating expenses	594	14,020		14,614
Grants		<u>368,441</u>	<u>(\$185,580)</u>	<u>172,861</u>
Total all funds	\$0	\$387,506	(\$185,580)	\$191,926

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Less estimated income		<u>387,506</u>	<u>(195,580)</u>	<u>191,926</u>
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.10

1 This amendment removes the Governor's recommendation for state employee salary increases and retains the recommended state payment for health insurance premiums. The reduction to salaries and wages is added to operating expenses for operating costs of the Children's Services Coordinating Committee.

2 The estimate of "refinancing" funds to be generated for the 2003-05 biennium is increased by \$430,837, from \$2,353,163 as recommended in the Governor's budget to \$2,794,000. As a result, the Children's Services Coordinating Committee administrative funding is increased by \$19,068, including increasing the committee's administrative position from a .7 to .8 FTE. The position was one FTE during the 2001-03 biennium. Funding for grants is increased by \$368,441, of which \$151,711 relates to regional and tribal administration and collaboration and \$216,730 relates to grants to participating entities.

3 The allocation of "refinancing" funds is changed as follows:

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION
Department of Human Services	10 percent	17 percent
Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Administration	5 percent	5 percent
Grants to regional and tribal committees for collaboration and administration	35 percent	31.5 percent
Grants to participating entities	<u>50 percent</u>	<u>48.5 percent</u>
Total	100 percent	100 percent

The Department of Human Services' share is increased to provide \$200,000 for the department's partnership project. The allocation for collaboration and administration grants and the participating entities grants are each reduced by 3.5 percent (an estimated \$97,790 each) based on the House version of "refinancing" funds.

The following schedule compares the allocation of "refinancing" funds included in the House version to the executive budget:

	EXECUTIVE PERCENTAGE	BUDGET ESTIMATED AMOUNT	HOUSE PERCENTAGE	VERSION ESTIMATED AMOUNT
Department of Human Services	10 percent	\$236,086	17 percent	\$474,980
Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Administration	5 percent	120,635	5 percent	139,700
Grants to regional and tribal committees for collaboration and administration	35 percent	826,189	31.5 percent	880,110
Grants to participating entities	<u>50 percent</u>	<u>1,180,270</u>	<u>48.5 percent</u>	<u>1,299,210</u>
Total	100 percent	\$2,363,183	100 percent	\$2,794,000

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Page 1, line 13, replace "2,006,459" with "2,263,140"

Page 1, line 14, replace "2,127,094" with "2,402,840"

Page 1, after line 19, insert:

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Page 2, line 10, replace "35" with "33"

Page 2, line 14, replace "50" with "48"

Renumber accordingly

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House Bill No. 1014 - Children's Services Coordinating Committee - House Action

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Operating expenses	58,681	14,614	73,295
Grants	2,006,459	256,681	2,263,140
Total all funds	\$2,127,094	\$275,746	\$2,402,840
Less estimated income	2,127,094	275,746	2,402,840
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.70	0.10	0.80

Dept. 324 - Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Detail of House Changes

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Operating expenses	594	14,020		14,614
Grants		368,441	(\$111,760)	256,681
Total all funds	\$0	\$387,506	(\$111,760)	\$275,746

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Less estimated income		<u>387,508</u>	<u>(111,760)</u>	<u>275,748</u>
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.10

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2 The estimate of "refinancing" funds to be generated for the 2003-05 biennium is increased by \$430,837, from \$2,363,163 as recommended in the Governor's budget to \$2,794,000. As a result, the Children's Services Coordinating Committee administrative funding is increased by \$19,065, including increasing the committee's administrative position from a .7 to .8 FTE. The position was one FTE during the 2001-03 biennium. Funding for grants is increased by \$368,441, of which \$151,711 relates to regional and tribal administration and collaboration and \$216,730 relates to grants to participating entities.

3 The allocation of "refinancing" funds is changed as follows:

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION
Department of Human Services	10 percent	14 percent
Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Administration	5 percent	5 percent
Grants to regional and tribal committees for collaboration and administration	35 percent	33 percent
Grants to participating entities	<u>50 percent</u>	<u>48 percent</u>
Total	100 percent	100 percent

The Department of Human Services' share is increased to provide \$100,000 for the department's partnership project. The allocation for collaboration and administration grants and the participating entities grants are each reduced by 2 percent (an estimated \$55,880 each) based on the House version of "refinancing" funds.

The following schedule compares the allocation of "refinancing" funds included in the House version to the executive budget:

	EXECUTIVE PERCENTAGE	BUDGET ESTIMATED AMOUNT	HOUSE PERCENTAGE	VERSION ESTIMATED AMOUNT
Department of Human Services	10 percent	\$238,069	14 percent	\$391,180
Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Administration	5 percent	120,835	5 percent	139,700
Grants to regional and tribal committees for collaboration and administration	35 percent	826,189	31.5 percent	922,020
Grants to participating entities	<u>50 percent</u>	<u>1,180,270</u>	<u>49.5 percent</u>	<u>1,341,120</u>
Total	100 percent	\$2,363,163	100 percent	\$2,794,000

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February 12, 2003

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1014

Page 1, line 2, after the semicolon insert "to provide for a report to the legislative council;"

Page 1, line 11, replace "61,954" with "66,405"

Page 1, line 12, replace "58,681" with "73,295"

Page 1, line 13, replace "2,006,459" with "2,374,900"

Page 1, line 14, replace "2,127,094" with "2,514,600"

Page 2, after line 15, insert:

**"SECTION 5. REPORT TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.** The children's services coordinating committee shall report to an interim committee designated by the legislative council at least twice during the 2003-04 interim on the amount of "refinancing" funds generated and the uses of the funds for the biennium beginning July 1, 2003, and ending June 30, 2005."

Page 3, line 7, overstrike "twenty" and insert immediately thereafter "fifty"

Renumber accordingly

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**

**House Bill No. 1014 - Children's Services Coordinating Committee - House Action**

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE CHANGES	HOUSE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$61,954	\$4,451	\$66,405
Operating expenses	58,681	14,614	73,295
Grants	<u>2,006,459</u>	<u>368,441</u>	<u>2,374,900</u>
Total all funds	\$2,127,094	\$387,506	\$2,514,600
Less estimated income	<u>2,127,094</u>	<u>387,506</u>	<u>2,514,600</u>
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.70	0.10	0.80

**Dept. 324 - Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Detail of House Changes**

	REMOVES RECOMMENDED SALARY INCREASE 1	INCREASES REFINANCING INCOME 2	TOTAL HOUSE CHANGES
Salaries and wages	(\$594)	\$5,045	\$4,451
Operating expenses	594	14,020	14,614
Grants		<u>368,441</u>	<u>368,441</u>
Total all funds	\$0	\$387,506	\$387,506
Less estimated income		<u>387,506</u>	<u>387,506</u>
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.10	0.10



<sup>1</sup> This amendment removes the Governor's recommendation for state employee salary increases and retains the recommended state payment for health insurance premiums. The reduction to salaries and wages is added to operating expenses for operating costs of the Children's Services Coordinating Committee.

<sup>2</sup> The estimate of "refinancing" funds to be generated for the 2003-05 biennium is increased by \$430,837, from \$2,363,163 as recommended in the Governor's budget to \$2,794,000. As a result, the Children's Services Coordinating Committee administrative funding is increased by \$19,065, including increasing the committee's administrative position from a .7 to .8 FTE. The position was 1.0 FTE during the 2001-03 biennium. Funding for grants is increased by \$368,441, of which \$151,711 relates to grants for regional and tribal administration and collaboration and \$216,730 relates to grants to participating entities.

A section is added providing that the Children's Services Coordinating Committee report to a committee of the Legislative Council at least twice during the 2003-04 interim on the amount of "refinancing" funds generated and the uses of the funds during the 2003-05 biennium.

The following schedule compares the allocation of "refinancing" funds included in the House version to the executive budget:

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET		HOUSE VERSION	
	PERCENTAGE	ESTIMATED AMOUNT	PERCENTAGE	ESTIMATED AMOUNT
Department of Human Services	10 percent	\$236,069	10 percent	\$279,400
Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Administration	6 percent	120,835	6 percent	139,700
Grants to regional and tribal committees for collaboration and administration	35 percent	826,189	35 percent	977,900
Grants to participating entities	<u>50 percent</u>	<u>1,180,270</u>	<u>50 percent</u>	<u>1,397,000</u>
Total	100 percent	\$2,363,163	100 percent	\$2,794,000

Date: February 2, 2003  
Roll Call Vote #: One

**2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES**  
**BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 1014**

House Appropriations - Human Resources Division Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number 38014.0103

Action Taken Do Pass as amended

Motion Made By Rep. Kempenich Seconded By Rep. Kerzman

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Rep. Jeff Delzer, Chairman	X				
Rep. Amy Warnke, Vice Chairman	X				
Rep. Larry Bellew	X				
Rep. Keith Kempenich	X				
Rep. James Kerzman	X				
Rep. Ralph Metcalf	X				

Total (Yes) Six No 0

Absent \_\_\_\_\_

Floor Assignment Rep. Kempenich

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:  
Children's Services Coordinating Committee - House Action

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**HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1014 Approp 2-17-03**

Page 1, line 2, replace the first "and" with "to provide for a report to the legislative council;"

Page 1, line 4, after "committee" insert "; and to declare an emergency"

Page 1, line 11, replace "61,954" with "66,405"

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**HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HB 1014 Approp. 2-17-03**

Page 3, line 7, overstrike "twenty" and insert immediately thereafter "fifty"

Page 3, after line 22, insert:

**"SECTION 8. EMERGENCY.** Section 6 of this Act is declared to be an emergency measure."

Renumber accordingly

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**

**House Bill No. 1014 - Children's Services Coordinating Committee - House Action**

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE CHANGES	HOUSE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$81,954	\$4,451	\$86,405
Operating expenses	58,681	14,614	73,295
Grants	2,006,459	368,441	2,374,900
Total all funds	\$2,127,094	\$387,506	\$2,514,600
Less estimated income	2,127,094	387,506	2,514,600
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.70	0.10	0.80

**Dept. 324 - Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Detail of House Changes**

	REMOVES RECOMMENDED SALARY INCREASE 1	INCREASES REFINANCING INCOME 2	TOTAL HOUSE CHANGES
Salaries and wages	(\$594)	\$5,045	\$4,451
Operating expenses	594	14,020	14,614

# HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HB 1014

Approp. 2-17-03

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Grants		<u>368,441</u>	<u>368,441</u>
Total all funds	\$0	\$367,506	\$367,506
Less estimated income		<u>367,506</u>	<u>367,506</u>
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.10	0.10

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A section is added providing that the Children's Services Coordinating Committee report to a committee of the Legislative Council at least twice during the 2003-04 interim on the amount of "refinancing" funds generated and the uses of the funds during the 2003-05 biennium.

An emergency clause section is added for Section 6, relating to the amount of funds the regional and tribal children's services coordinating committees may carry over at the end of each fiscal year.

The following schedule compares the allocation of "refinancing" funds included in the House version to the executive budget:

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	PERCENTAGE	ESTIMATED AMOUNT	PERCENTAGE	ESTIMATED AMOUNT
Department of Human Services	10 percent	\$236,069	10 percent	\$279,400
Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Administration	5 percent	120,635	5 percent	139,700
Grants to regional and tribal committees for collaboration and administration	35 percent	826,169	35 percent	977,900
Grants to participating entities	<u>50 percent</u>	<u>1,180,270</u>	<u>50 percent</u>	<u>1,397,000</u>
Total	100 percent	\$2,363,163	100 percent	\$2,794,000

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)  
February 17, 2003 4:07 p.m.

Module No: HR-30-2980  
Carrier: Kempenich  
Insert LC: 38014.0106 Title: .0300

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**  
HB 1014: Appropriations Committee (Rep. Svedjan, Chairman) recommends  
**AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS**  
(22 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1014 was placed on the  
Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 2, replace the first "and" with "to provide for a report to the legislative council;"

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**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**

**House Bill No. 1014 - Children's Services Coordinating Committee - House Action**

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE CHANGES	HOUSE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$61,954	\$4,451	\$66,405
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Less estimated income	<u>2,127,094</u>	<u>387,506</u>	<u>2,514,600</u>
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.70	0.10	0.80

**Dept. 324 - Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Detail of House Changes**

REMOVES RECOMMENDED SALARY INCREASE 1	INCREASES REFINANCING INCOME 2	TOTAL HOUSE CHANGES
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**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)**  
**February 17, 2003 4:07 p.m.**

**Module No: HR-30-2980**  
**Carrier: Kempenich**  
**Insert LC: 38014.0106 Title: .0300**

Salaries and wages	(\$584)	\$5,045	\$4,451
Operating expenses	594	14,020	14,614
Grants		<u>368,441</u>	<u>368,441</u>
Total all funds	\$0	\$367,506	\$367,506
Less estimated income		<u>367,506</u>	<u>367,506</u>
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.10	0.10

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	PERCENTAGE	ESTIMATED AMOUNT	PERCENTAGE	ESTIMATED AMOUNT
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Grants to participating entities	<u>50 percent</u>	<u>1,180,270</u>	<u>50 percent</u>	<u>1,397,000</u>
Total	100 percent	\$2,363,163	100 percent	\$2,794,000

**2003 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS**

**HB 1014**

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*10/30/03*  
Date

2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1014

Senate Appropriations Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date 2-27-03

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
1		X	3720-end
2	X		1-267
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Mary K. [unclear]</i>			

Minutes:

Senator Holmberg opened the hearing on HB1014. A quorum is present. This bill provides an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the children's services coordinating committee and to provide for a report to the legislative council.

Sandy Bendewald, Director of the CSCC (mtr #3820) - Testified on behalf of the legislative committee. The state and local CSCC's come today unified in our support of the engrossed bill. Testimony included clarification of the funding of the CSCC's and refinancing changes. Written testimony is attached. See exhibit 1. Encourages support of the engrossed HB1014.

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2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1014 Vote

Senate Appropriations Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date 4-3-03

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
1	X		3400-3800
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Sandra Dawson</i>			

Minutes: CHAIRMAN HOLMBERG opened the hearing to vote on HB 1014. A bill which provides an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the children's services coordinating committee and to provide for a report to the legislative council.

(Meter 3500) CHAIRMAN HOLMBERG explained the amendment (38014.0301). The change is to remove \$103 on the health insurance. IT is not involved in this bill because this is a special fund agency..

SENATOR BOWMAN made a motion to adopt the amendment with SENATOR LINDAAS seconded.

CELESTE KUBASTA, OMB explained the agency is a special funded agency but still need authority to spend the money. They don't need it in salaries lines because they deduct it health insurance, it is moved into an operating for the agency to spend it.

CHAIRMAN HOLMBERG clarified they source of the money is the refinancing.

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Senate Appropriations Committee  
Bill/Resolution Number HB 1014  
Hearing Date 4-3-03

(Meter 3735) SENATOR CHRISTMANN wanted to know the refinancing of what?

CHAIRMAN HOLMBERG stated as a counselor he had to do a time chart and this is where that comes from. CELESTE added it was some federal funds.

(Meter 3844) A voice vote passed the amendments. There was a motion of DO PASS AS AMENDED by SENATOR ROBINSON and seconded by SENATOR BOWMAN. The bill passed with 11 yeas, 0 nays and 3 absent. The bill is to be carried by SENATOR LINDAAS.

CHAIRMAN HOLMBERG closed the hearing to HB 1014. (Meter 3939)

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1014

Page 1, line 11, replace "66,405" with "66,302"

Page 1, line 12, replace "73,295" with "73,398"

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1014 - Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Senate Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	SENATE CHANGES	SENATE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$61,954	\$66,405	(\$103)	\$66,302
Operating expenses	58,681	73,295	103	73,398
Grants	<u>2,006,459</u>	<u>2,374,900</u>		<u>2,374,900</u>
Total all funds	\$2,127,094	\$2,514,600	\$0	\$2,514,600
Less estimated income	<u>2,127,094</u>	<u>2,514,600</u>		<u>2,514,600</u>
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.70	0.80	0.00	0.80

Dept. 324 - Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Detail of Senate Changes

	REDUCES RECOMMENDED FUNDING FOR HEALTH INSURANCE 1	TOTAL SENATE CHANGES
Salaries and wages	(\$103)	(\$103)
Operating expenses	103	103
Grants		
Total all funds	\$0	\$0
Less estimated income		
General fund	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00

1 The salaries and wages line item is reduced to reflect the reduction in state employee health insurance premiums from \$493 to \$486.70 per month. The funding reduced from the salaries and wages line item is added to the operating expenses line item.

Amend  
Bowman

Date: 4-3-03  
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES  
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 1014

Senate Appropriations Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number 380

Action Taken Do PASS As Amended

Motion Made By Robinson Seconded By Bowman

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Senator Holmberg, Chairman	✓				
Senator Bowman, Vice Chair	✓				
Senator Grindberg, Vice Chair	✓				
Senator Andrist	✓				
Senator Christmann	✓				
Senator Kilzer	✓				
Senator Krauter	✓				
Senator Kringstad					
Senator Lindaas	✓				
Senator Mathern	✓				
Senator Robinson	✓				
Senator Schobinger	✓				
Senator Tallackson					
Senator Thane	✓				

Total (Yes) 11 No

Absent 3

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)  
April 3, 2003 4:15 p.m.

Module No: SR-60-6708  
Carrier: Lindaas  
Insert LC: 38014.0301 Title: .0400

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**  
HB 1014, as engrossed: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (11 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 3 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1014 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 11, replace "66,405" with "66,302"

Page 1, line 12, replace "73,295" with "73,398"

Renumber accordingly

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**

**House Bill No. 1014 - Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Senate Action**

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	SENATE CHANGES	SENATE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$61,954	\$66,405	(\$103)	\$66,302
Operating expenses	58,681	73,295	103	73,398
Grants	<u>2,006,458</u>	<u>2,374,800</u>		<u>2,374,800</u>
Total all funds	\$2,127,094	\$2,514,800	\$0	\$2,514,800
Less estimated income	<u>2,127,094</u>	<u>2,514,800</u>		<u>2,514,800</u>
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.70	0.80	0.00	0.80

**Dept. 324 - Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Detail of Senate Changes**

	REDUCES RECOMMENDED FUNDING FOR HEALTH INSURANCE <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL SENATE CHANGES
Salaries and wages	(\$103)	(\$103)
Operating expenses	103	103
Grants		
Total all funds	\$0	\$0
Less estimated income		
General fund	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00

<sup>1</sup> The salaries and wages line item is reduced to reflect the reduction in state employee health insurance premiums from \$493 to \$488.70 per month. The funding reduced from the salaries and wages line item is added to the operating expenses line item.

2003 TESTIMONY  
HB 1014

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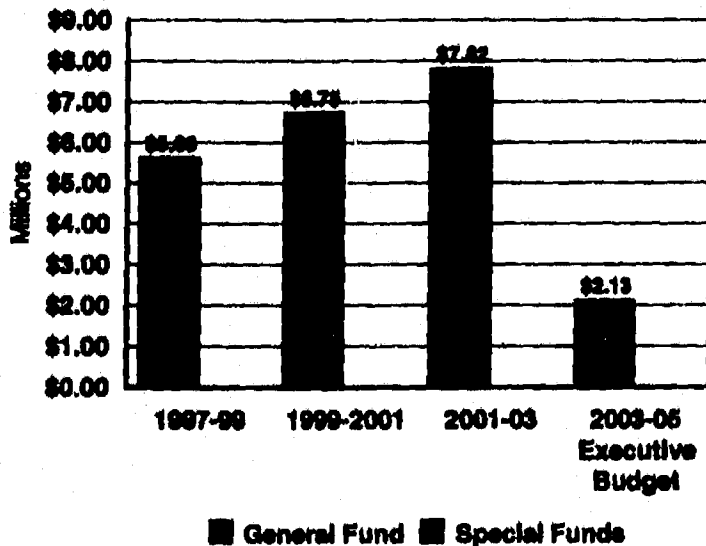
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**Department 324 - Children's Services Coordinating Committee  
House Bill No. 1014**

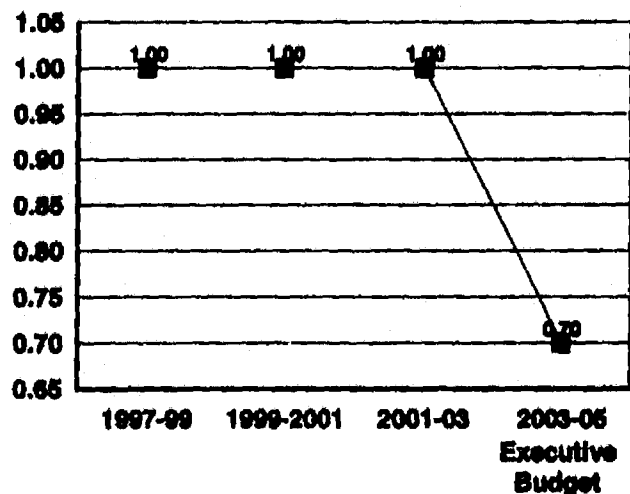
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2003-05 Executive Budget	0.70	\$0	\$2,127,094	\$2,127,094
2001-03 Legislative Appropriations	1.00	0	7,823,126	7,823,126 <sup>1</sup>
Increase (Decrease)	(0.30)	\$0	(\$5,696,032)	(\$5,696,032)

<sup>1</sup> The 2001-03 appropriation amounts include \$1,315 of other funds for the agency's share of the \$5 million funding pool appropriated to the Office of Management and Budget for special market equity adjustments for classified employees.

**Agency Funding**



**FTE Positions**



**Executive Budget Highlights**

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
1. Reflects the reduction in federal funding projected to be available from "refinancing" activities due to a federal policy change relating to the allowable uses of federal IV-E foster care funds. The change only allows federal IV-E foster care funding to be claimed if the child being served is in foster care or a "candidate" for foster care. Previously, these funds could be claimed for a child in foster care or who was "at risk" of being placed in foster care. The 2001-03 Legislative Assembly appropriated \$8,333,333 of "refinancing" funds. The 2003-05 executive budget includes \$2,363,438.		(\$5,969,895)	(\$5,969,895)
2. Due to the reduction in funding projected to be available from "refinancing," the executive budget reduces the administrative staff officer position from a 1 FTE to a .70 FTE position		(\$20,178)	(\$20,178)
3. Due to the reduction in funding projected to be available from "refinancing," the executive budget eliminates funding for statewide grants, which for the 2001-03 biennium were appropriated at \$850,000 and provided for the partnership project at the human service centers (\$600,000), the Native American alcohol and drug abuse education program (\$200,000), and the Sacred Child Project (\$50,000)		(\$850,000)	(\$850,000)

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4. Due to the reduction in funding projected to be available from "refinancing," the executive budget eliminates funding for regional children's services coordinating committees' grants to providers which for the 2001-03 biennium were appropriated at \$3,341,666

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"Refinancing" - "Refinancing" is a system administered through the Department of Human Services which claims federal reimbursement of eligible administrative costs of local schools, juvenile courts, and public health organizations under the federal IV-E foster care and federal Medicaid programs. The local organizations participating in the system complete time studies to document the amount of time spent with children eligible for the federal reimbursement. These time studies are submitted to the regional or tribal children's services coordinating committee, reviewed by the state Children's Services Coordinating Committee, and submitted for federal administrative cost reimbursement by the Department of Human Services. The federal reimbursements are received by the Department of Human Services. The department retains its percentage allocation and transfers the remaining funds to the state Children's Services Coordinating Committee, which retains its percentage and distributes the remaining funds to the children's services coordinating committee of the region or tribe that generated the funds through the time study reports. Each regional or tribal committee distributes the percentage allocation of funds to each of the organizations that generated the federal reimbursements and uses remaining funds for its administrative and operating costs and for other purposes based on the allocations approved by the Legislative Assembly. The percentage allocation of these funds recommended in the 2003-05 executive budget compared to the 2001-03 allocations approved by the 2001 Legislative Assembly are listed below:

	2001-03 Biennium	2003-05 Executive Budget
Department of Human Services	10.0%	10.0%
Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Administration	1.7%	5.0%
Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Grants		
Participating entities generating federal funds	20.0%	50.0%
Statewide grants	10.2%	0.0%
Regional and tribal children's services coordinating committees for administrative costs	16.2%	0.0%
Regional and tribal children's services coordinating committees for collaboration efforts	1.8%	0.0%
Regional and tribal children's services coordinating committees for administrative costs and collaboration efforts	0.0%	35.0%
Regional and tribal children's services coordinating committees for grants to providers	40.1%	0.0%
Total	100.0%	100.0%

#### Major Related Legislation

Sections 5 and 6 of House Bill No. 1014 remove percentage restrictions on the maximum balances the Children's Services Coordinating Committee and regional and tribal children's services coordinating committees may maintain in their operating funds at the end of each fiscal year. The \$50,000 maximum balance allowed at the end of each fiscal year remains.

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**House Appropriations  
Human Resources Division  
HB 1014**

**January 15, 2003**

Chairman Delzer and members of the Human Resources Division, my name is Sandy Bendewald. I am serving as the chair of the legislative committee for the state and local CSCCs. I am also the director of the CSCC located out of Jamestown.

My testimony today is on behalf of the legislative committee. The state and local CSCCs come today unified in our support of the bill, with the addition of the amendment concerning the carryover. (attached) I will speak to the amendment later in my testimony.

***Clarification of the funding of the CSCCs and Participating Agencies***

The funds in HB 1014 are [REDACTED]. The CSCC partners generate the funds by claiming Title IV-E and Title XIX reimbursement dollars. The CSCC partnering agencies are called "participating agencies" or "PA's". Only specific agencies qualify to become PA's, mainly special education units, juvenile courts, and public health units. They voluntarily take part in time studies. Based on the results of their time studies and their related financial costs, the federal government "reimburses" the state for their efforts. [REDACTED]

***Refinancing Changes***

There have been [REDACTED], which greatly limit the amount that can be generated. In addition there are changes in procedures and paper work which make it more difficult for the PAs.

Because of the definition changes the amount that will be generated will be less than in previous years. The estimate at this time is as follows: [REDACTED]

Again, this is because when participating agencies are doing the time studies, only certain activities are reimbursable. The changes in definitions mean that fewer activities are reimbursable.

*Amount of Refinancing to be Generated (page 1, line 14)*

[REDACTED] The amount of \$2,127,094 listed in the bill as the amount we will generate during the biennium was a "best guess estimate" made at the time of the bill preparation. At that time we did not have much information available to know how deep the cuts would be. Although we have more information now, it is still a guess. (Each quarter, participating agencies generate a different amount because it is based on time studies of actual work. If they happen to be doing "reimbursable" work with a person "reimbursement" can be claimed on, money is generated.) We now have only 2 quarters of information for juvenile court and only 1 quarter for special education and public health. For an accurate estimate we need at least 4 quarters.

Secondly, we do not know how much money will be generated because we do not know how many participating agencies will be able to continue to take part in the refinancing process. They need time to try the process and determine if it is workable. Then more may join back in or others may have to drop out.

Lastly, the tribal CSCCs are also at a point of major decision making and change which will effect the amount of refinancing included in HB 1014. Standing Rock CSCC closed it's doors as of the end of December but still has one PA (court) that would like to continue to take part in the refinancing process. Because this just happened, no plans have been made as to how to handle this. Spirit Lake and Three Affiliated CSCCs did not respond indicating that we should include the refinancing amounts for their tribes in HB 1014. That leaves only one tribal CSCC, Turtle Mountain, which has stated that their refinancing amounts should be included.

All of these factors make determining a figure of how much will be generated very difficult. For our estimate we included the regional PAs that are presently involved in the refinancing process, the Turtle Mountain PAs and the court from Standing Rock. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

#### ***How to Prepare the Bill***

Last spring the question of how to prepare the bill was dealt with by the state CSCC, local CSCCs, and participating agencies. The decision was made jointly to make cuts wherever we could and use percentages so no one entity listed in the bill took the entire cut. The first thing we had to do was to determine the amount to be returned to the participating agencies. After all, without their involvement, these monies would not be coming into the state of North Dakota.

**Participating Agencies (page 2, line 14)**

The recommendation in the bill is to [REDACTED] The percentage is a lot higher but, because so much less will be generated, the dollar amount raises only slightly. If our estimates are too high, they would get even less back. With the changes in the refinancing process requiring participating agencies to do more work and more paper work, we believe it is imperative to raise the percentage to 50%.

**Local CSCCs (page 2, line 10)**

The recommendation in the bill is to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The local CSCCs will have to make major changes in the way they operate. CSCC boards have struggled lately with what to do. Locally they had to prioritize. Many have made plans to cut back in operating costs already. Every place a penny can be saved is being looked at.

The issue of awarding local grants vs leading local collaboration efforts was one of the first decisions to be made. Many of the board members are directors of agencies whose own budgets are also being cut. The easiest decision, for them, would have been to figure out a way to award more money in grants because after all, their agencies could then apply. Local CSCC members did not make that decision. Instead, across the state, we consistently hear that the priority has to be to keep the collaborative leadership from the CSCC and to do that we need a staff person. The CSCCs believe in local grants and will award them if money allows. However, in many CSCCs, money may not be available for grants for the agencies to apply for. The amount of money generated will no longer be enough to maintain the level of grant awards and maintain the amount of collaboration leadership we have had in the past.

As someone not involved in the CSCC, I can imagine that you must be asking yourself just what makes collaboration leadership so important and why the boards would see that as the priority. For many legislative sessions we have struggled with how to explain what the CSCCs do that provides that collaborative leadership. We have also struggled with the question of how to explain the difference it makes, what the outcomes are and what would be missing if the collaborative leadership of the CSCCs was not there.

Attachment 1 is an attempt to explain that to you. It is comments they have made to explain why the CSCC collaboration leadership needs to continue. I would like to share just a few examples.

Marlo Mickle, director of Safe Visitation Project which handles court ordered visitations and exchanges of children, stated that without the leadership of the CSCC the program would still be struggling or may have disbanded. Instead, children are able to visit the non-custodial parent in a neutral setting. (The CSCC collaboration leadership for that project was provided by facilitating the whole process: pulling the people together, asking the right questions, helping them get organized and figuring out how it would all work and helping them find operational money.) The outcome is that children utilizing the center no longer be exposed to fighting, and abusive language during exchanges and that supervised visits can take place without having to drive 200 miles. You can see that we are talking about "real" leadership and "real" outcomes, not just attending meetings and sitting on task forces.

Neil Larson and Wanda Luer from the Human Service Center stated that the CSCC task force provided through leadership of the CSCC, has recruited 24 new foster care homes, far succeeding the results before the CSCC task force was formed. (The collaboration leadership in this case was provided by facilitating the process: receiving and handling of grant monies from another source for this effort, providing the structure, and in organizing and leading the task force.) The outcome is a decrease in the amount of children waiting for foster homes.

Martha DiCicco, a retired teacher, states that the CSCC has already spent considerable time and energy setting up the framework, building trust levels, and establishing working relationships in order to set up collaborative relationships which has brought about savings of time and dollars. (Her statement speaks to the basic requirements for collaboration. The reputation of the CSCCs as impartial and fair and trustworthy make the collaboration efforts possible.) The outcome is a savings of time and dollars.

The final comment I would like to share from local people is from Lisa Bjergaard from the Division of Juvenile Services who states, "the CSCC's have had seven years of achievement in leading collaborative efforts at the local level. Now is when we truly need the experience and expertise that we've spent all these years developing. At a time when agencies are experiencing budget cuts it just makes good sense to capitalize on this resource. The CSCC can be a vital instrument in each region as we move into an era where collaboration has become essential."

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Collaboration leadership must be maintained at the CSCC. To do that the amount for the local CSCCs cannot go lower than 35%.

***State CSCC (page 2, line 9 and page 1, lines 11 and 12)***

It is important to note the membership of the state CSCC so that we can show the wide range of support at the state level for the CSCCs. The governor appoints the chair. Other members include the directors of the Departments of Human Services, Health, Corrections and Rehabilitation, Vocational Education, Indian Affairs, Public Instruction, and the Supreme Court. (All of the major departments concerned about children and families) The recommendation is for [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The only staff of the CSCC is a part time administrative assistant who will be cutting back in hours due to the decrease in dollar amount. The other main cost is a refinancing technical consultant who we need to maintain to insure accurate handling of the refinancing process.

***DHS (page 2, line 8)***

The [REDACTED]. DHS is the only state agency that can bill for reimbursement of the Title IV-E and Title XIX reimbursement dollars.

***Amendment (attachment # 3)***

The amendment was drawn up at the request of the legislative committee of the CSCC, in cooperation with OMB. At our budget hearing with OMB we discussed and agreed to an emergency clause for the changes on page 3, lines 13-15 and it was inadvertently left out of the bill. <sup>bill</sup> The [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Because the definition changes have already taken place, the amount generated will already be much less in the present fiscal year. Without the emergency clause in the bill, the carryover of the smaller regions would be limited to 20% of what

they generated. In the case of Williston for example, this might mean only \$16,000 of carryover, making it very difficult to keep the CSCC operating until the next quarter of refinancing money is received. The other change in the amendment is on page 3, line 7 which is a typo and needs to match up to the percentage on page 2, line 14.

Chairman Delzer and the Human Resources Committee I would like to thank you, on behalf of the Legislative Committee of the State and R/TCSCCs, for your time and support of the CSCCs.

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## THE IMPACT OF CSCCs

**Mark Ehrmantraut, Buffalo Valley Special Education:** "CSCC provides a structure to pull together agencies in the region in an effort to improve service, improve efficiency, reduce redundancy, and increase cost-effectiveness of services to children in the community."

**Marlo Melkle, Director Family Bridges:** "CSCC has been vital in supporting Family Bridges Visitation/Exchange Center. Their collaboration and networking skills have kept us alive. Without CSCC, no one knew what questions to ask and to whom. We were spinning our wheels and would have disbanded without their help".

**Rebecca Berge-Buss, Parent in Region V CSCC:** "The CSCC is a necessary form of communication and collaboration in these days of rising need and, unfortunately, decreasing resources. The creative dialogue and support that occurs during the meetings and as a result of these meetings facilitates the best possible care and help for clients and the general population of North Dakota. The changes the state faces, decrease in population for one, necessitates the group process that the CSCC provides".

**Jim Fish, Grafton Juvenile Court:** "With limited resources to help children and their families, especially in the rural areas, the CSCC leadership in collaboration/coordination is one proven way to maximize this effort!"

**Debbie Swanson, Grand Forks Public Health Department:** "Region IV has a strong history of collaboration among agencies that serve children and families. This collaboration has resulted in improved communication among providers, greater coordination of programs and sharing of resources. Careful assessment of regional needs is conducted to make sure gaps in services are filled and families' needs are met. People's lives are better because of the commitment of board members and CSCC member agencies".

**Abuse Resource Network, Lisbon:** "CSCC's leadership/coordination and collaboration makes parenting classes, mentoring and counseling possible in rural areas. Because of CSCC's numerous resources and outreach, isolation is broken and the quality of life is increased".

**Paul Finstad, Executive Director, Fargo/Moorhead YMCA:** "The CSCC has done what many other groups have tried to do and this is to provide an umbrella for collaboration and coordination of activities among social service agencies".

**Neil Larson & Wanda Luer, CPS, Region VI SCHSC:** "The Foster Care Recruitment and Retention Task Force, headed by the Region VI CSCC, has recruited 24 new foster care homes. This has been a great improvement prior to the development of the Foster Care Recruitment and Retention Task Force. These results would not have been possible without the support and leadership of the CSCC.

**Jan Ulferts Stewart, Executive Director Fargo-Moorhead Area Foundation:** "At this time in North Dakota with a renewed focus on the family and children in our state, Region V CSCC plays a leading role. In addition to staying closely connected to existing programs and services for children and families, this organization offers clear insights on issues affecting all of us who live, work, play, and study in Region V. Their knowledge of exiting services, combined with their sincere work at improving the lives of children, makes this key organization a true leader in providing both coordination and collaboration in this part of the state".

**Keatha McLeod, Region V CSCC Parent/Foster/Adoptive Parent:** "In the 10+ years the Region V CSCC has been in place, I have witnessed the development of comprehensive collaboration, identification of gaps in services, action plans to address the gaps, and granting to organizations that have directly impacted the needs of children. To lose this structure would be a profound loss to the children and families of North Dakota.

**Martha DiCicco, Retired Educator:** "The Region V CSCC has already spent considerable time and energy setting up the framework, building trust levels, and establishing working relationships in order to set up collaborative relationships. There have been many exemplary and innovative activities, which have meant a savings of time and dollars in serving the children of the region. This leadership needs to continue as we continue to see children in need".

**Ron Schneider, Fargo Public Schools:** "We need CSCC to maintain local ability to evaluate needs and fund services and programs that serve the regions particular gaps".

**Dennis Goetz, North Dakota State Hospital:** "Our Regional CSCC has brought together more agencies in collaborative planning for children over the past years than all other community efforts combined. In my 32 years of working in treatment programs for children and families in North Dakota, I have not experienced a better grass roots model of planning and funding for needs of small and large communities, alike."

**Lisa Bjergaard, Division of Juvenile Services:** "The CSCCs have had seven years of achievement in leading collaborative efforts at the local level. Now is when we truly need the experience and the expertise that we've spent all these years developing; at a time when agencies are experiencing budget cuts, it just makes good sense to capitalize on this resource. The CSSS can be a vital instrument in each region as we move into an era where collaboration has become essential.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1014

Page 1, line 4, after "committee" insert "; and to declare an emergency"

Page 3, line 7, replace "twenty" with "fifty"

Page 3, after line 22, insert:

SECTION 7. EMERGENCY. Section 5 of this Act is declared to be an emergency measure.

Renumber accordingly

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CHILDREN'S SERVICES COORDINATING COMMITTEE  
REFINANCING ANALYSIS - ALL AGENCIES  
JULY 1, 2000 - JUNE 30, 2002

1/22/03

Region	AMOUNTS GENERATED-ACTUAL AS RECORDED-ALL		PROJECTED AMTS GENERATED HEALTH PARTICIPATING ONLY		PROJECTED AMTS GENERATED COURTS PARTICIPATING ONLY		PROJECTED AMTS GENERATED SCHOOLS PARTICIPATING ONLY		PROJECTED TO BE GENERATED
	XX \$	IV-E \$	LAST 6 QTR	% REDUCED	LAST 6 QTR	% REDUCED	LAST 6 QTR	% REDUCED	
I	11,804	218,819	230,723	0	97,807	58.18%	106,583	42.34%	101,915
II	1,585	917,581	919,166	0	237,105	58.18%	682,000	42.34%	426,706
III	11,518	470,869	482,387	3,322	68,473	58.18%	383,144	42.34%	210,199
IV	35,251	1,195,799	1,231,050	7,532	283,089	58.18%	785,286	42.34%	508,950
V	22,252	1,982,279	2,014,531	7,809	353,341	58.18%	98,817	42.34%	255,022
VI	19,574	752,331	771,905	4,373	117,690	58.18%	542,071	42.34%	302,352
VII	29,727	1,883,343	1,923,070	0	785,202	58.18%	746,912	42.34%	778,891
VIII	12,454	471,230	483,684	0	84,109	58.18%	257,982	42.34%	158,164
Spirit Lake	62,868	56,548	119,216	0	0	58.18%	0	42.34%	0
Standing Rock	28,102	107,936	134,038	0	13,953	58.18%	0	42.34%	11,609
Three Affiliated	148,828	125,172	272,000	0	0	58.18%	0	42.34%	0
Turtle Mountain	180,743	140,558	301,301	0	13,847	58.18%	75,943	42.34%	40,210
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>540,806</b>	<b>8,342,465</b>	<b>8,883,071</b>	<b>22,837</b>	<b>2,071,386</b>	<b>58.18%</b>	<b>3,486,748</b>	<b>42.34%</b>	<b>2,794,919</b>

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# CSCC 03 - 05 BIENNIUM Estimates

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Region	Generated Previous 2 Yr Period	(Estimated to be Generated) FY 03 - 05	Difference
I	\$230,723.00	\$101,915.00	-\$128,808.00
II	\$919,166.00	\$426,706.00	-\$492,460.00
III	\$482,387.00	\$210,199.00	-\$272,188.00
IV	\$1,231,050.00	\$508,950.00	-\$722,100.00
V	\$2,014,531.00	\$255,022.00	-\$1,759,509.00
VI	\$771,905.00	\$302,352.00	-\$469,553.00
VII	\$1,923,070.00	\$778,891.00	-\$1,144,179.00
VIII	\$483,684.00	\$158,164.00	-\$325,520.00
SR	\$134,038.00	\$11,609.00	-\$122,429.00
TM	\$301,301.00	\$40,210.00	-\$261,091.00
TA	\$272,000.00	\$0.00	-\$272,000.00
SL	\$119,216.00	\$0.00	-\$119,216.00
Total	\$8,883,071.00	\$2,794,018.00	-\$6,089,053.00

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# CSCC 03 - 05 BIENNIUM Estimates

January 28, 2003

Region	Previous 58% CSCC	Projected 35% Local CSCC	Difference
I	\$134,050.06	\$35,670.25	-\$98,379.81
II	\$534,035.45	\$149,347.10	-\$384,688.35
III	\$280,266.85	\$73,569.65	-\$206,697.20
IV	\$715,240.05	\$173,132.50	-\$537,107.55
V	\$1,170,442.51	\$89,257.70	-\$1,081,184.81
VI	\$448,476.81	\$105,823.20	-\$342,653.61
VII	\$1,117,303.67	\$272,611.85	-\$844,691.82
VIII	\$281,020.40	\$55,357.40	-\$225,663.00
SR	\$77,876.08	\$4,063.15	-\$73,812.93
TM	\$175,055.88	\$14,073.50	-\$160,982.38
TA	\$158,032.00	\$0.00	-\$158,032.00
SL	\$69,264.50	\$0.00	-\$69,264.50
Total	\$5,161,064.26	\$977,906.30	-\$4,183,157.96

\*Both the 58% and 35% columns are the amount of administration, collaboration and grants.

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# CSCC 03 - 05 BIENNIUM Estimates

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Region	Previous PA 20%	Projected PA 50%	Difference
I	\$46,144.60	\$50,957.50	\$4,812.90
II	\$183,833.20	\$213,353.00	\$29,519.80
III	\$96,477.40	\$105,099.50	\$8,622.10
IV	\$246,210.00	\$254,475.00	\$8,265.00
V	\$402,906.20	\$127,511.00	-\$275,395.20
VI	\$154,381.00	\$151,176.00	-\$3,205.00
VII	\$384,614.00	\$389,445.50	\$4,831.50
VIII	\$96,736.80	\$79,082.00	-\$17,654.80
SR	\$26,807.60	\$5,804.50	-\$21,003.10
TM	\$60,260.20	\$20,105.00	-\$40,155.20
TA	\$54,400.00	\$0.00	-\$54,400.00
SL	\$23,843.20	\$0.00	-\$23,843.20
Total	\$1,776,614.20	\$1,397,009.00	-\$379,605.20

\*The 20% column is 20% of all PAs (past and present). The 50% column is 50% of only the PAs continuing to participate. The negative differences are due to agencies dropping out.

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# CSCC 03 - 05 BIENNIIUM Estimates

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Region	Previous 2 Yr Period	(Estimated to be Generated) FY 03 - 05	Difference	35% Local CSCCS	10% DHS	5.00% State CSCC	50% PA
I	\$230,723.00	\$101,915.00	-\$128,808.00	\$35,670.25	\$10,191.50	\$5,095.75	\$50,957.50
II	\$919,166.00	\$428,706.00	-\$490,460.00	\$140,347.10	\$42,670.60	\$21,335.30	\$213,353.00
III	\$482,387.00	\$210,199.00	-\$272,188.00	\$73,559.65	\$21,019.90	\$10,509.95	\$105,099.50
IV	\$1,231,050.00	\$508,950.00	-\$722,100.00	\$178,132.50	\$50,895.00	\$25,447.50	\$254,475.00
V	\$2,014,531.00	\$255,022.00	-\$1,759,509.00	\$38,257.70	\$25,502.20	\$12,751.10	\$127,511.00
VI	\$771,905.00	\$302,352.00	-\$469,553.00	\$105,823.20	\$30,235.20	\$15,117.60	\$151,176.00
VII	\$1,923,070.00	\$778,891.00	-\$1,144,179.00	\$272,611.85	\$77,889.10	\$38,944.55	\$389,445.50
VIII	\$483,884.00	\$158,164.00	-\$325,720.00	\$55,357.40	\$15,816.40	\$7,908.20	\$79,082.00
SR	\$134,038.00	\$11,609.00	-\$122,429.00	\$4,063.15	\$1,160.90	\$580.45	\$5,804.50
TM	\$301,301.00	\$40,210.00	-\$261,091.00	\$14,073.50	\$4,021.00	\$2,010.50	\$20,105.00
TA	\$272,000.00	\$0.00	-\$272,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
SL	\$119,216.00	\$0.00	-\$119,216.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$8,883,071.00	\$2,794,018.00	-\$6,089,053.00	\$977,908.30	\$279,401.80	\$139,700.90	\$1,397,009.00

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**Biennium Comparison of 01-03 vs 03-05**

	<b>Projected 35.00% CSCC</b>	<b>01-03 Adm/Collab 18.00% Statewide</b>	<b>Difference</b>
I	\$35,670.25	\$83,729.17	-\$48,058.92
II	\$149,347.10	\$130,579.17	\$18,767.93
III	\$73,539.65	\$92,229.17	-\$18,689.52
IV	\$178,132.50	\$152,729.17	\$25,403.33
V	\$89,257.70	\$194,329.13	-\$105,071.43
VI	\$105,823.20	\$147,979.17	-\$42,155.97
VII	\$272,611.85	\$189,529.17	\$83,082.68
VIII	\$55,357.40	\$117,729.17	-\$62,371.77
SR	\$4,063.15	\$88,479.17	-\$84,416.02
TM	\$14,073.50	\$90,229.17	-\$76,155.67
TA	\$0.00	\$112,229.17	-\$112,229.17
SL	\$0.00	\$100,229.17	-\$100,229.17
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$977,906.30</b>	<b>\$1,500,000.00</b>	<b>-\$522,093.70</b>

\*The 35% column is 35% of what a R/TCSCC generates. The 18% is a statewide figure. The State CSCC divided the 18% amount (\$1,500,000) and told each R/TCSCC how much of the amount coming back to the R/TCSCC could be spent on administration/collaboration in 01/03.

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**REGIONAL/TRIBAL CSCCS EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2002**

	ADMINISTRATION (16.2%)	COLLABORATION (1.8%)	PARTICIPATING AGENCY (20%)	GRANTS	TOTAL
REGION I	13,500.56	6,250.00	26,943.00	43,080.00	89,773.56
REGION II	49,764.58	6,250.00	63,959.96	221,620.00	341,594.54
REGION III	36,410.00	6,250.00	35,083.00	151,355.00	229,098.00
REGION IV	65,847.00	6,250.00	104,251.00	405,168.00	581,516.00
REGION V	67,436.78	4,096.68	187,030.00	364,845.89	623,409.35
REGION VI	50,741.79	9,412.82	83,014.00	184,482.07	327,650.68
REGION VII	86,376.00	6,250.00	184,141.00	437,286.00	714,053.00
REGION VIII	49,195.18	8,464.29	55,603.00	57,184.55	170,447.02
SPIRIT LAKE					0.00
STANDING ROCK					0.00
THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES					0.00
TURTLE MOUNTAIN					0.00
<b>REGIONAL/TRIBAL CSCC TOTAL</b>	<b>419,271.89</b>	<b>53,223.79</b>	<b>740,024.96</b>	<b>1,865,021.51</b>	<b>3,077,542.15</b>
<b>STATE CSCC</b>	<b>65,530.16</b>			<b>416,275.67</b>	<b>481,805.83</b>

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### Role of R/T CSCC in The Refinancing Process

The attached flow charts show specifically what the R/T CSCC duties are in the refinancing process. Basically they are as follows:

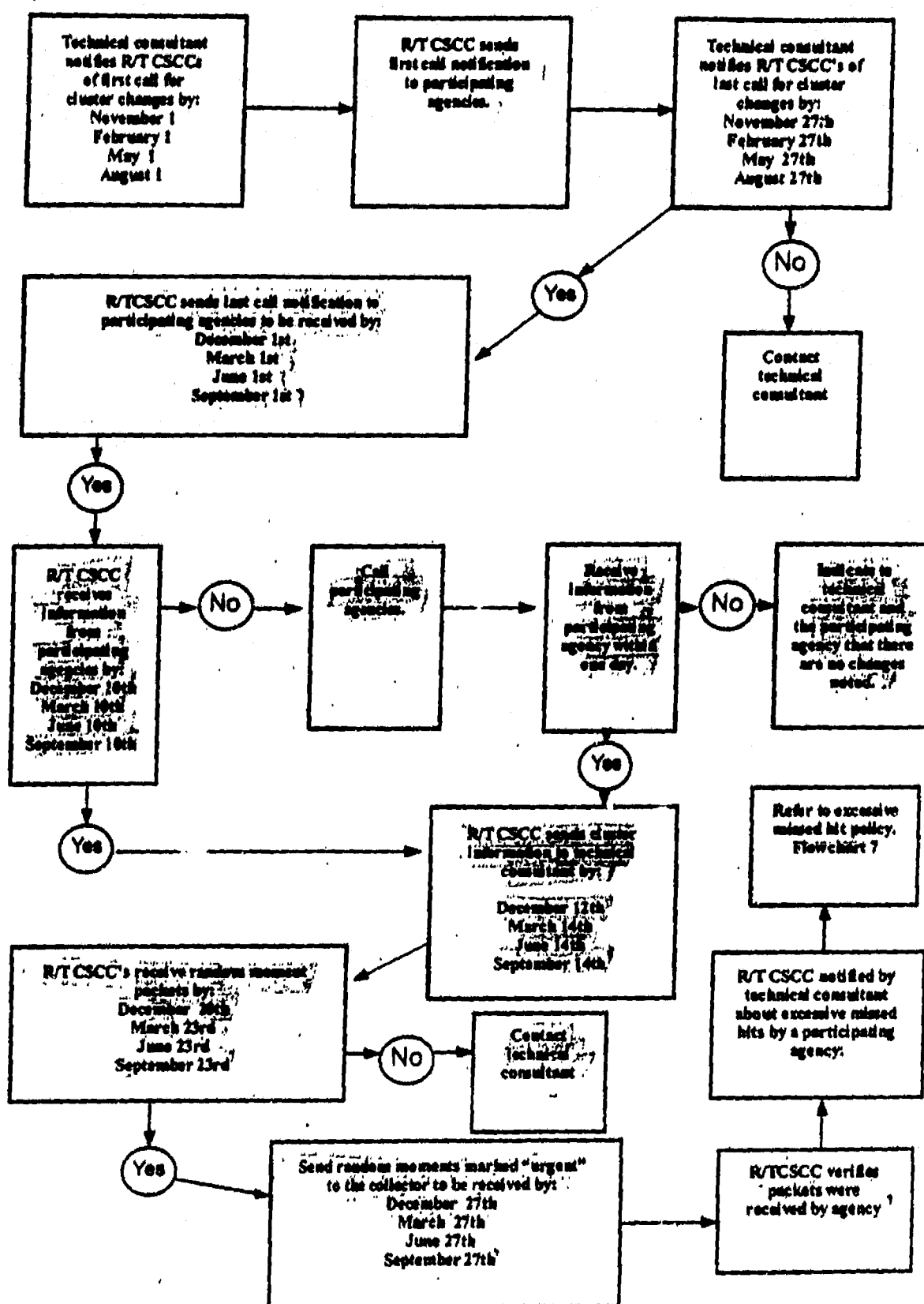
- Main contact/relationship with the participating agencies (PAs)
- Answering questions of the PAs
- Information/Training when there is change in leadership positions at the PAs
- Ensuring the technical consultant has all of the information necessary to file the claims.
- Financial reimbursement of the PAs.

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# R/T CSCC Responsibilities in Relation to RMTS



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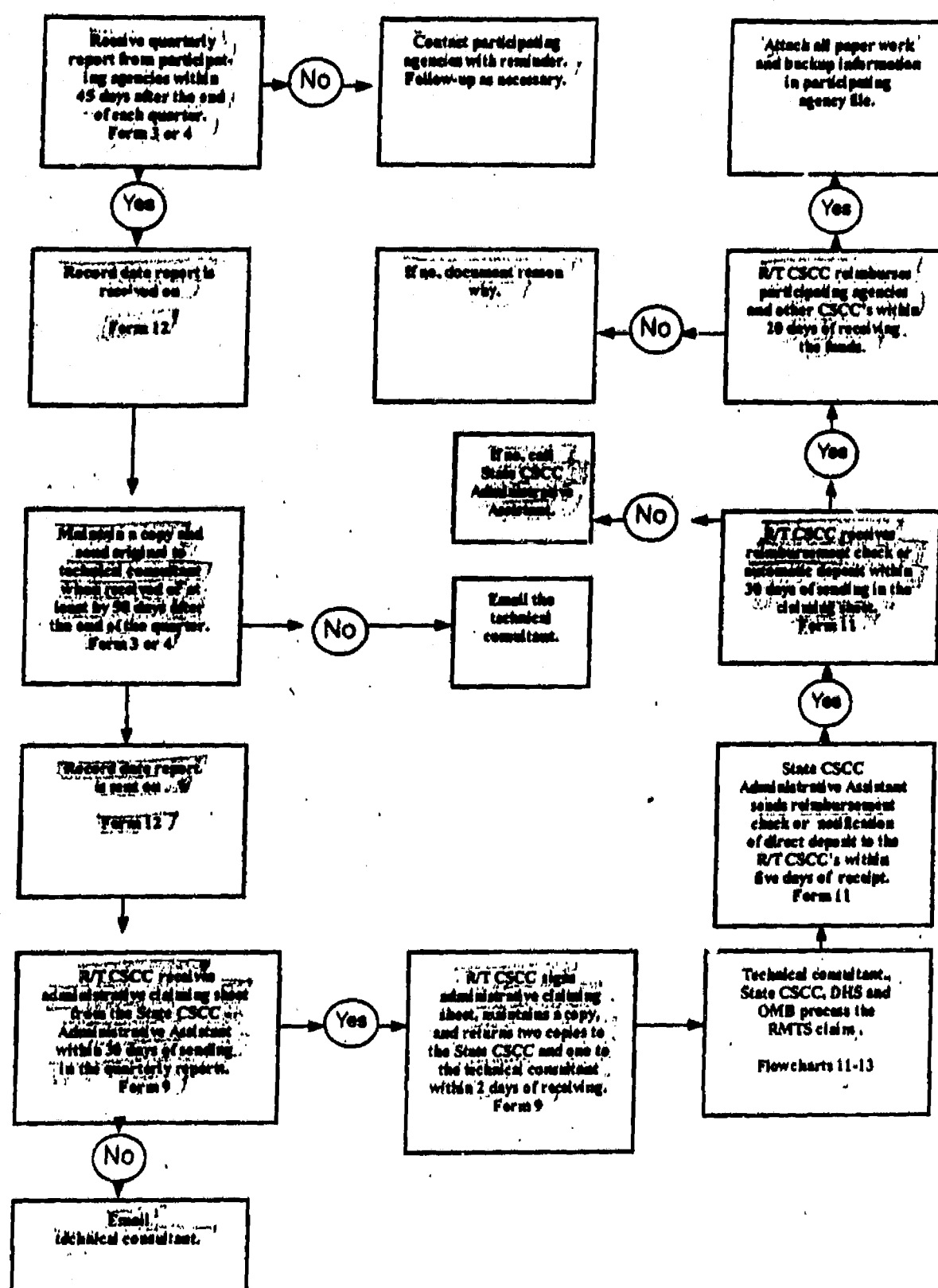
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# R/T CSCC Role & Responsibility In Processing the Claim and Disbursement of Money



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Flowchart 13

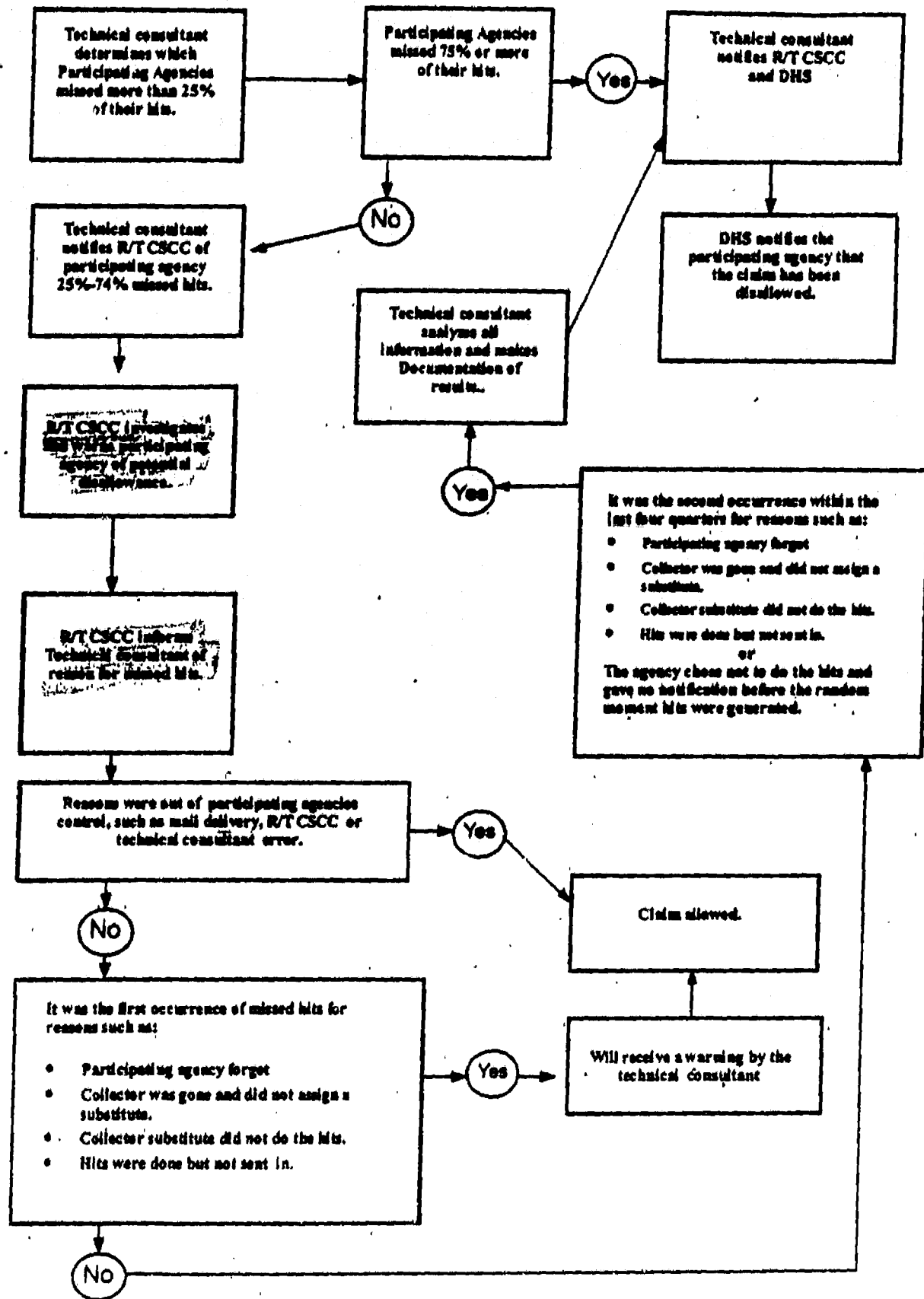
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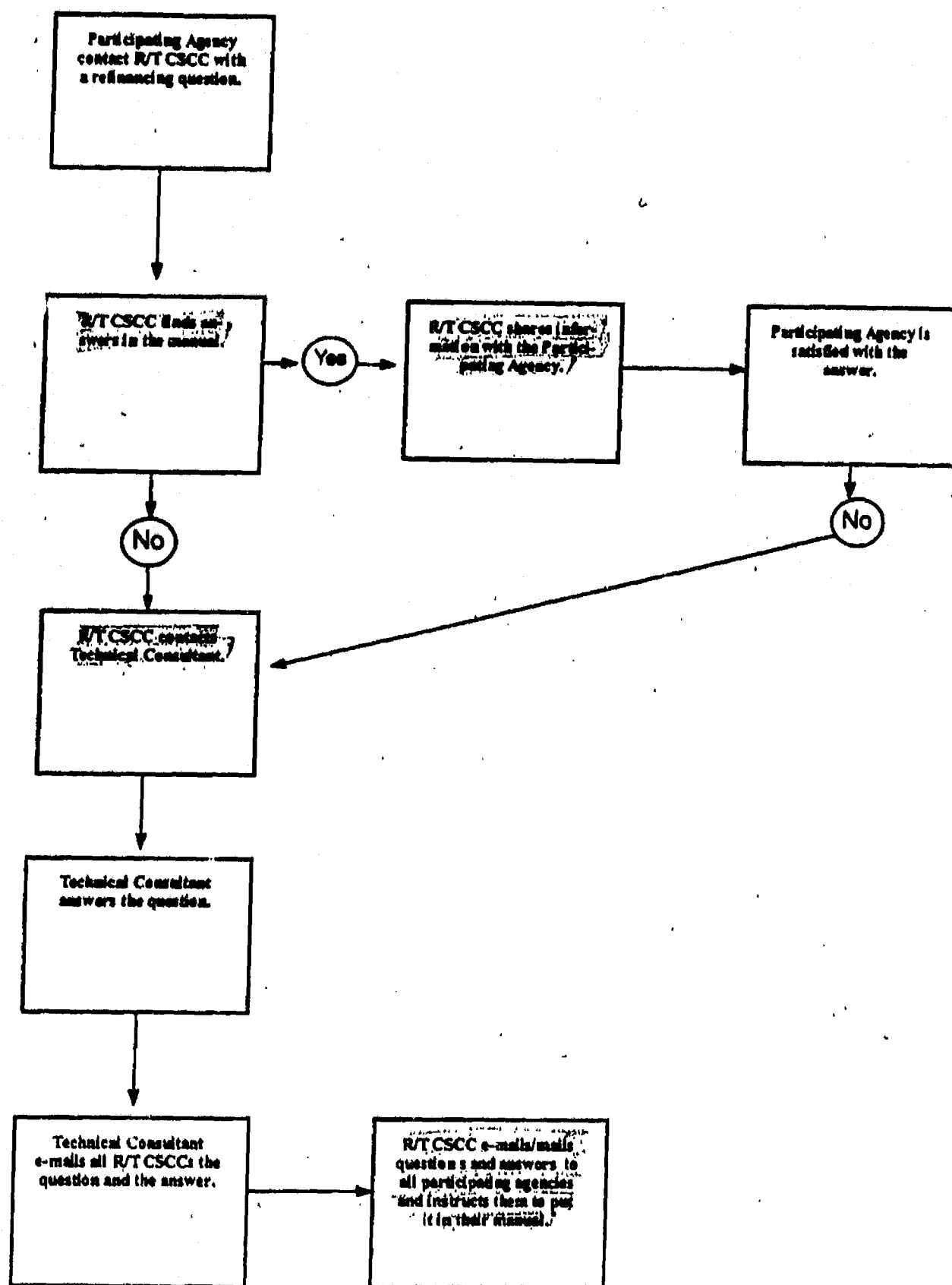
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## Answering Participating Agency Questions



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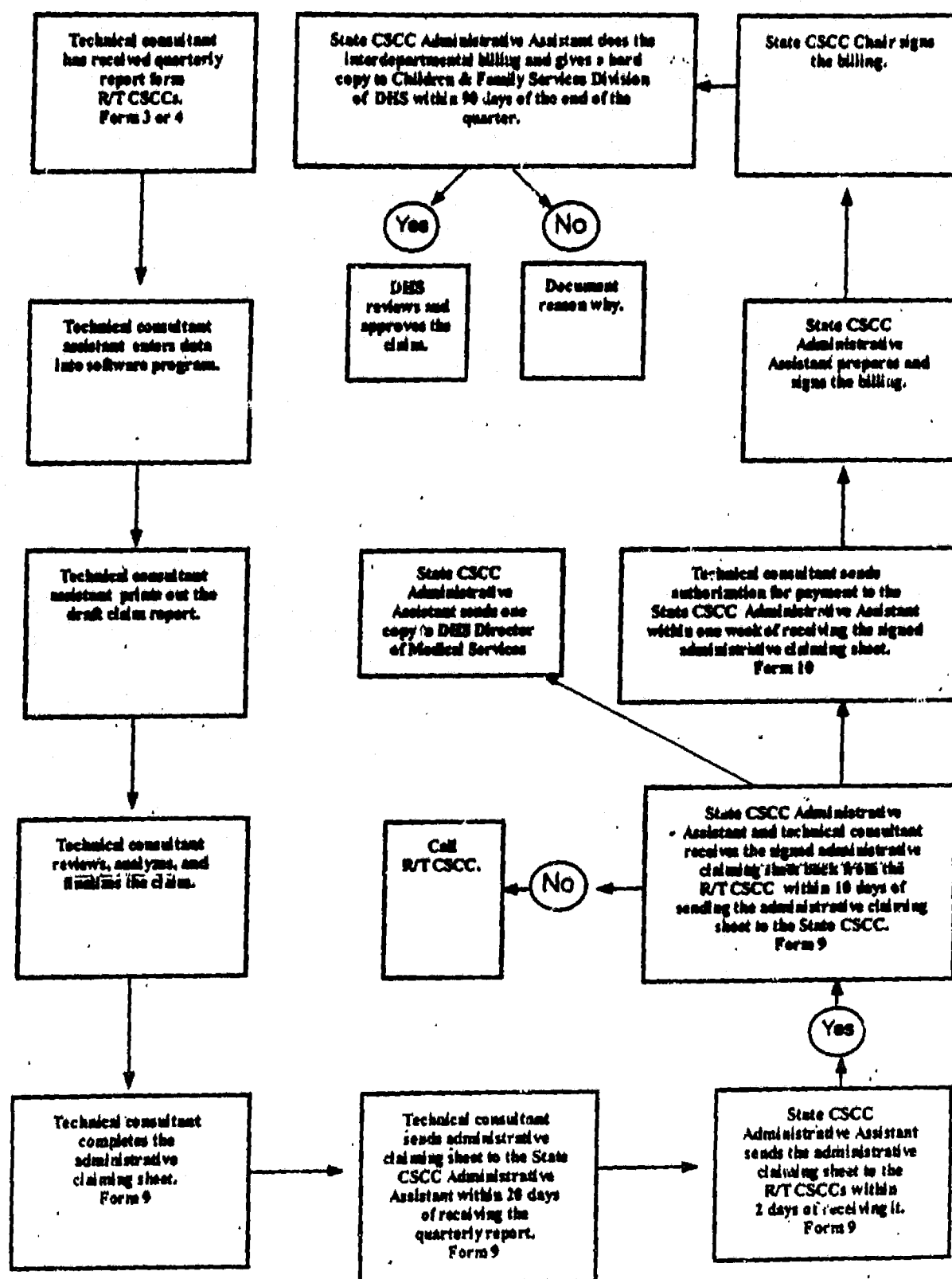
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## State's Role in Processing the Claim



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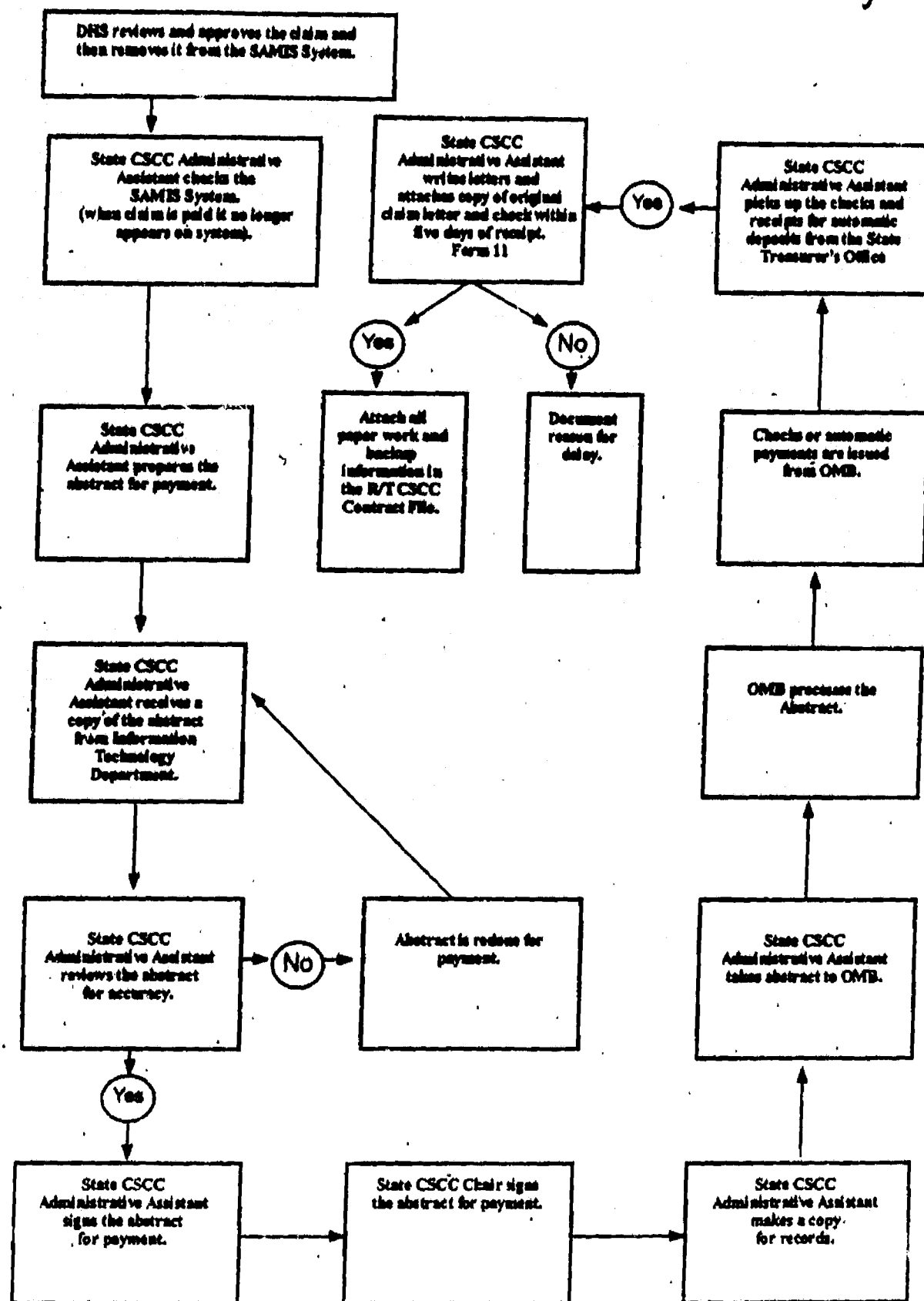
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## State's Role in Disbursement of Money



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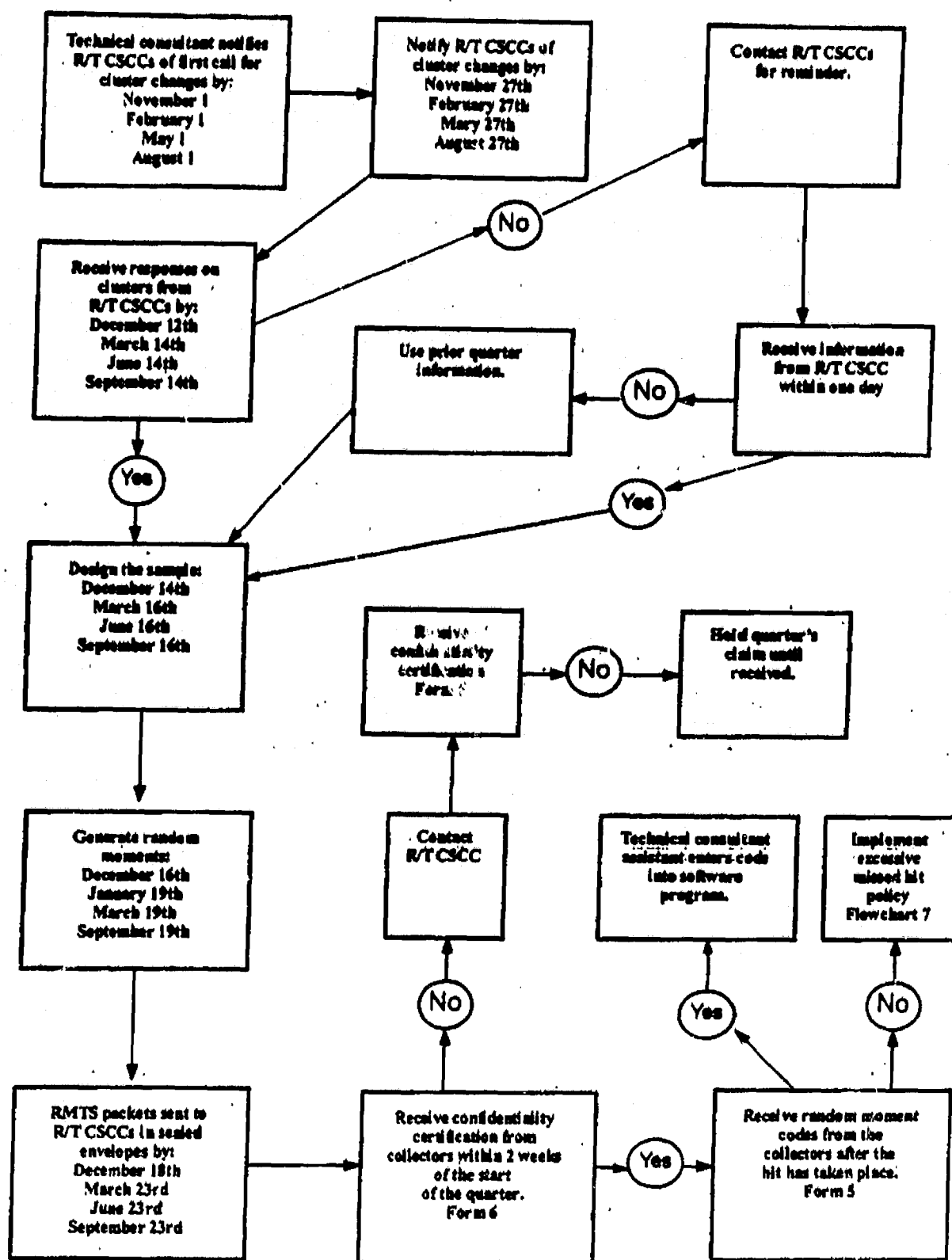
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## Technical Consultant Role in RMTS



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## CHILDREN'S SERVICES COORDINATING COMMITTEE

	2001-2003 CSCC BUDGET	HOUSE BILL 1014 GOVERNORS RECOMMENDATION	REVISED CSCC REQUEST 1/03
<b>5% Retained by CSCC for Administration (CC5000)</b>			
PTE	1	.7	.8
Estimated Adm. Expenses:			
Wages	\$76,864	\$81,954	\$86,999
Telecommunications (phone, IVNs, computer usage)	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000
Postage	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500
Subscriptions	\$700	\$700	\$700
Technical Consultants	\$44,176	\$37,451	\$48,531
Professional Services (AG, Audit)	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$5,500
Insurance	\$336	\$545	\$545
Supplies	\$500	\$500	\$500
Printing	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
Misc.	\$1,189	\$485	\$3,226
Total Office Expense	\$85,901	\$88,681	\$72,502
Total Estimated Administrative Expenses	\$142,765	\$120,635	\$139,501
State Grants (CC4000)	\$848,685	\$0	\$0
35% R/T Collaboration/Admin. (CC3000)	\$1,500,000	\$826,189	\$977,906
50% Participating Agencies (CC2000)	\$1,686,667	\$1,180,270	\$1,397,009
Regional/Tribal Grants (CC2000)	\$3,341,883	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL REFINANCING CSCC BUDGET</b>	<b>\$7,500,000</b>	<b>\$2,127,094</b>	<b>\$2,514,416</b>
RWJ Foundation Grant/Carryover	\$323,126	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$7,823,126</b>	<b>\$2,127,094</b>	<b>\$2,514,416</b>

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**CHILDRENS SERVICES COORDINATING COMMITTEE**  
**Participating Agency Status**  
**January 27, 2003**

Public Health	Region	Participating	Not Participating
Upper Miss Dist Health	I		Upper Miss Dist Health
First District Health	II		First District Health
Lake Region District Health	III	Lake Region District Health	
Cavaller County Health District	III	Cavaller County Health District	
Grand Forks Public Health Dept.	IV	Grand Forks Public Health Dept.	
Pembina County Health Dept.	IV		Pembina County Health Dept.
Nelson-Griggs District Health	IV		Nelson-Griggs District Health
Fargo-Cass Public Health	V	Fargo-Cass Public Health	
Central Valley Health Unit	VI	Central Valley Health Unit	
McIntosh Public Health	VI		McIntosh Public Health
Wells County Public Health	VI		Wells County Public Health
Dickey County Health	VI		Dickey County Health
Burleigh County Nursing	VII		Burleigh County Nursing
Custer Health Unit	VII		Custer Health Unit
Emmons District Health	VII		Emmons District Health
SW District Health	VIII		SW District Health
<b>Total Public Health</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>
Juvenile Court	Region	Participating	Not Participating
NW Juv. Ct. - Williston	I	NW Juv. Ct. - Williston	
NE Juv. Ct. - Bottineau	II	NE Juv. Ct. - Bottineau	
NW Juv. Ct. - Minot	II	NW Juv. Ct. - Minot	
NE District Juvenile Court-DL	III	NE District Juvenile Court-DL	
NECDJ Juv. Cr. - Grafton	IV	NECDJ Juv. Cr. - Grafton	
NECDJ Juv. Cr. - Grand Forks	IV	NECDJ Juv. Cr. - Grand Forks	
EC Juv. Ct. - Fargo	V	EC Juv. Ct. - Fargo	
SE Juv. Ct - Wahpeton	V	SE Juv. Ct - Wahpeton	
SE Juv. Cr. - Jmst.	VI	SE Juv. Cr. - Jmst.	
SE Juv. Cr. - Valley City	VI	SE Juv. Cr. - Valley City	
SC Juv. Cr. - Bismarck	VII	SC Juv. Cr. - Bismarck	
ND Youth Correctional Center	VII	ND Youth Correctional Center	
Police Youth Bureau	VII		Police Youth Bureau
SW Juv. Cr. - Dix	VIII	SW Juv. Cr. - Dix	
Dickinson Police Dept.	VIII		Dickinson Police Dept.
<b>Total Juvenile Courts</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2</b>

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Special Education	Region	Participating	Not Participating
Wilmar Special Ed.	I	Wilmar Special Ed.	
Northern Plain Special Ed.	II	Northern Plain Special Ed.	
Peace Garden Special Services	II	Peace Garden Special Services	
Souris Valley Special Ed.	II	Souris Valley Special Ed.	
Dunseith Public School	III	Dunseith Public School	
St. John Public School	III	St. John Public School	
Lake Region Special Education	III	Lake Region Special Education	
Langdon Public School	III	Langdon Public School	
Devils Lake Public School	III	Devils Lake Public School	
Lake Area Vo-Tech Center	III	Lake Area Vo-Tech Center	
Grand Forks Special Ed.	IV	Grand Forks Special Ed.	
Pembina Special Ed. Co-op	IV	Pembina Special Ed. Co-op	
Upper Valley Special Ed.	IV	Upper Valley Special Ed.	
Rural Cass Special Ed.	V		Rural Cass Special Ed.
South Valley Multi	V		South Valley Multi
GST Multi-District	V	GST Multi-District	
Fargo Public School	V		Fargo Public School
Wahpeton Special Ed.	V		Wahpeton Special Ed.
West Fargo Public School	V		West Fargo Public School
East Central Special Education	VI	East Central Special Education	
Sheyenne Valley Special Ed.	VI	Sheyenne Valley Special Ed.	
Buffalo Valley Special Ed.	VI	Buffalo Valley Special Ed.	
Child and Adolescent School	VI	Child and Adolescent School	
Dickey LaMoure Special Ed.	VI		Dickey LaMoure Special Ed.
Lonetree Special Education	VI	Lonetree Special Education	
Burleigh County Special Ed.	VII		Burleigh County Special Ed.
Emmons County Special Ed.	VII		Emmons County Special Ed.
Mandan High School	VII	Mandan High School	
Oliver-Mercer Special Ed.	VII		Oliver-Mercer Special Ed.
Bismarck Public School	VII	Bismarck Public School	
Dickinson Public School	VIII	Dickinson Public School	
West River Special Services	VIII	West River Special Services	
<b>Total Special Education</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Total P.A. 's</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>22</b>

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Chairman Delzer and members of the Committee, my name is Mike Ahmann. I am the Region VII Children's Services Coordinating Committee Board President and a Special Education Director who's school district voluntarily is participating in the CSCC Refinancing Program. My testimony today is in support of HB 1014 with the amendment. I have been asked by the CSCC Legislative Committee to speak to you on behalf of the Regional and Tribal CSCC Boards and communities.

**History of the Children's Services Coordinating Committee?**

The Regional CSCC's formation began during the 1993 Legislative Session with the passage of Senate Bill 2016 by the Fifty-third Legislative Assembly. During the biennium beginning July 1, 1993, and ending June 30, 1995, each of the eight human service center regions of the State were to establish regional planning boards consisting of representatives from local children's services agencies to coordinate children's services in each region.

The funding for the regional CSCC's was appropriated by the 1993 Legislative Assembly in the amount of \$75,000 general fund dollars per region. This funding was used for operating costs, development of Regional Community Plans and creating the regional CSCC's as permanent structures within the human service system in each region. In 1994, the State CSCC extended the CSCC structural concept to include CSCCs on each of the four reservations in the state. In 1994-1995, the federal Refinancing Program became the primary funding source for the State, Regional and Tribal CSCC's and they no longer received general fund dollars.



**Function of Regional and Tribal CSCC's per Legislative Intent:**

It is the intent of the legislative assembly that each regional and tribal CSCC function as a regional planning committee to monitor and coordinate children's services in each region and that the regional and tribal CSCC's do not directly provide services or programs.

**Who are the Children's Services Coordinating Committee?**

The CSCC's Regional Planning Boards exist in each of the eight human service center regions of the State consisting of representatives from local children's services agencies to collaborate and coordinate children's services in each region. The Board membership consists of but is not limited to representatives from juvenile court, division of juvenile services, county sheriff, NDSU extension, human service center, district health unit, special education, county social services, parks and recreation, transportation, non-profit agencies, schools, churches, business, parents and youth. Each of the CSCC's boards are responsible for the operational management and staff supervision of the collaborative community business of the CSCC's. The operational oversight in the past seven years has included the duties of: community collaboration and coordination on special projects, programs and events across their individual regions/tribal reservations.

**What are CSCC Community Plans and What does a CSCC do with them?**

The CSCC's Planning Boards have developed and monitor a Regional/Tribal Community Plan. The key factor in implementation of the Community Plan is agency collaboration, cooperation and coordination of programs and services. Community input regarding

current programs and services offered is an element addressed on an ongoing basis.

Region VII is committed to networking all of Region VII. Networking involves input from agencies, community organizations, parents, schools, and other interested parties or individuals. Several objectives and action steps of the RVII CSCC Community Plan do not require funding for implementation. Collaboration among agencies, communication between agencies and parents, and creative use of resources allows for much of the RVII Community Plan to be achieved with no additional funding required. Prior to formation of the CSCC's inter-agency communication had been sporadic and unstructured. With the formation and ongoing collaboration of the CSCC, this communication has increased, and a true collaborative partnership has been built.

The following is an example of a Region VII Community Plan Goal and Objectives

Goal: To promote Prevention Activities aimed at supporting children and families.

Objective: The Region VII CSCC will facilitate the development and on-going support of inter-agency collaboration, parent support, and funding for special services for children and families with special needs.

Action steps:

- Will facilitate researching all existing collaborative efforts in communities across the region
- Will facilitate researching the level of parent involvement in agency decisions
- Will facilitate the development of a regional collaboration plan for prevention services

- Will review inter-agency collaboration, in order to offer technical assistance, training, coordination, facilitation assistance to inter-agency collaborative efforts.

**RVII CSCC Ongoing Services/Outcomes response to the above example:**

- The RVII CSCC has developed an online community service directory listing located in NDinfo.org which identifies community services across Region VII and North Dakota.
- The RVII CSCC values parents by having four parents who sit on the RVII CSCC Board (two urban and two rural parents). The parent representatives are nominated through a sub-committee of parents who have formed an coalition called Together as Parents in Region VII. They have identified specific objectives they wish to accomplish in RVII.
- The RVII CSCC assists many different coalition across RVII targeted at prevention issues. Example: Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs; Early Childhood Network; Parent Education; Dental Gap etc.
- The RVII office and board offers strategic planning sessions, facilitation assistance, operating and budget assistance, media support, coordination services, and technical assistance to community coalitions and organizations.

### **What is Collaboration?**

The Webster Dictionary defines Collaboration (date 1871) as:

1. to work jointly with others or together especially in an intellectual endeavor
2. to cooperate with an agency or instrumentality with which one is not immediately connected

### **Why do we value the Collaboration efforts of the CSCC's?**

- The CSCC's have varied expertise around a single table discussing issues, dollars, services, programs, philosophies, needs, gaps in services, enhancements to services, community and agency strengths or needed improvement areas.
- The CSCC is the only singular forum for this many multiple agencies and organizations to sit down and talk, negotiate and make changes to the way children and families do business in local communities and across regions or the state of North Dakota.
- The CSCC is inclusive of parents, youth, private and public sector, business, industry, churches and schools joined to discuss issues, projects and events.
- The CSCC allows for opportunity of multiple interests, numerous partnerships, combined resources, pooled funding and collaborative efforts to successfully fulfill a community project, event or media issue.  
Preventing one single agency or office to absorb the entire costs.

- The CSCC provides to the community/region a single point location to find out about services, programs or events. It offers the ability to help the inquirer with specific agency/coalition issues; brings more partners to the table, helps with information gathering, assistance with research, media assistance, technical assistance and training opportunities, etc.

**Why has Collaboration been so important to Communities, and the Children and Family Service system?**

**I'd like to briefly highlight some examples of collaboration in Region VII.**

**Alcohol Tobacco and Other Drugs (ATOD) Network.** The Region VII CSCC board was concerned about the number of different taskforces, that were popping up across the region in regards to ATOD issues, so they requested that all these taskforces present their information to the RVII CSCC Board in November, 2002. This was reviewed by the CSCC to determine if a duplication in efforts, agency resources and money was occurring in the community. It was determined that all the different taskforces have committed under the umbrella of the ATOD Network. That each individual taskforce had different target markets, different delivery of information and/or services and were collaborating effectively with each other.

**SED Services – ND Partnership Project**

When federal funding ended for this demonstration project, the CSCC facilitated discussion for the continued need for this model of serving SED students. Through collaboration of the CSCC representative agencies (WCHSC, Public School/Special Education) the project has continued and they have jointly funded the continuation of this

model in our region. The philosophy of parents and agencies partnering in providing services to SED students to keep them in their homes and communities has been maintained by this partnership.

Networking Early Childhood Education and Headstart Services Collaboration

Networking discussion at the RVII CSCC meeting resulted in the collaborative efforts of the West River Headstart Director working with a Hazen School Principal to write a Federal Headstart Grant for Mercer County to receive services. The West River Headstart Director and the Bismarck Public Schools Headstart program have met to share ideas and service delivery models. This was very effective and both parties walked away with ideas to incorporate into their services.

Parents Collaborative movement to Educate Community on Celiac Disease

The CSCC office assisted the parents of children with Celiac Disease by helping them to develop marketing materials, assist with facilitation, planning, grant writing and with community referrals for supportive services and resources. The collaborative efforts resulted in the formation of the Central North Dakota Celiac Support Group. A collaborative partnership resulted in a statewide conference held in 2002 for professionals and parents. Through networking, 250 diagnostic blood screenings were conducted at a reduced costs. A number of children were diagnosed with Celiac Disease from these screening. A Celiac Parent attends the CSCC Together as Parents Coalition and they will host their first annual Celiac Awareness Walk in 2003.

NDinfo.org now under the management of Community Connections a 501c3

The Region VII CSCC was asked by community people to develop another region wide service directory. The CSCC board determined that seeking out a technology based service directory would ultimately be more cost effective and easily accessible to local community members. NDinfo.org is an online community service directory with over 4000 members listed, calendar of events and placement module for daycares, nursing homes, shelters, group care, hospitals etc. This project is currently managed by Community Connections a 501c3. This project is a demonstration of collaborative efforts of private, non-profit and public organizations. Cybersites, LLC a software development company has contributed in excess of \$200,000 in-kind match. Kranzler Kingsley has contributed an estimated \$30,000 in-kind match for marketing/design. The RVII CSCC provided the collaboration and coordination needed to get the project operational. Many local service agencies like Region VII CSCC, United Way, Job Service, Bis/Man Transit, NDSU Extension, Casey Family, Headstart, Rural Hospitals, and Private Industry serve on the Community Connections Board. The RVII CSCC The Community Connections Board in partnership with North Dakota Health Care Alliance and with letter of support from Dept of Transportation has applied for a national transportation grant. If approved this will enable Community Connections and their partners to deliver an online transportation service unique to only the state of North Dakota.

In closing, In order to continue this mission of the Children's Services Coordinating Committee we strongly ask you to support HB 1014 with the amendment. If you have any questions I would be happy answer them at this time.

Testimony for CSCC 1/15/2003

My name is Sharon Unruh. I am the administrator for Central Valley Health Unit, the public health agency that serves Stutsman and Logan Counties. I have been in this position for over 30 years.

Public Health Agencies, statewide, have supported the concept of the Children's Services Coordinating Committees since their inception. We have willingly participated in the time studies that have brought revenue to the regions. Because of the recent changes in federal guidelines, the amount that public health can generate has been cut by approximately 90%. Many of the smaller PH agencies can no longer justify completing the time studies, with this significant cut. However, four of the larger health units have continued to participate, even with the cut, because we so strongly believe in the concept of the CSCC and the collaboration it brings.

Public Health fully supports this bill with its amendments and we would encourage your support.

Thank you.

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Regarding House Bill 1014

Dear Representative Delzer and Committee Members:

I am writing this testimony because I support appropriations for Children's Services Coordinating Committee (CSCC) through HB1014.

I am the mother of a 13 year old boy who has a neurological disorder affecting him emotions and behavior. Formal medical, psychiatric and other service are, at times, important. But it is neither necessary nor appropriate to rely on these resources everyday. What has been just as important- certainly more meaningful- has been our access to programs and activities within the community, especially through the Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health (FFCMH), in Region V. FFCMH has relied on in part funding through the CSCC. The important aspect of programs like this is that they represent significant volunteer investment and community commitment. This leverages the dollars available and ensures that programs are targeted to children's actual needs, not defined by bureaucracy alone.

Because of FFCMH and resource through the CSCC, my son has: become able to play community basketball; educate other children about mental health issues through puppet theater; spoken for himself in education treatment meetings; identified himself as a worthwhile person with a great future to prepare for.

Sheri McMahon  
717 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue North  
Fargo, ND 58102

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Region VII CSCC  
Community Collaboration Resources

Headstart Federal Grant (Mercer County) \$ 280,000.

Spaldon County Coalition (skip).

- DPI Greatest Needs Grant \$ 55,000.
- National Parks Service to ND Parks + Rec \$ 27,500.
- Garrison Diversion Conservation District \$ 20,000.

Bismarck City / Community

- Otto Bremer Foundation grant \$ 50,000.
- Community project donations \$ 10,000.
- MDU Foundation grant \$ 3,000.

Note: Above has no effect / relationship  
to any CSCC grant / refinancing  
dollars

\$ 445,500.<sup>00</sup>  
all cash resources.

This was a result of only 3 contacts responding  
from 10 attempted contacts since this morning's  
meeting.

They also identified In-kind contributions:

Kranzler Kingsley Marketing (estimated) \$ 30,000.  
St Alexius printing efforts \$ 1,000. +

### Region VIII CSCC

The Committee was instrumental in developing the Sunrise Youth Bureau and gave them an initial start up grant. The coordinator continued to work with the bureau in developing programs, collaborative relationships with others in the region in and identifying and writing for additional sources of income.

Wrote and received two Federal COPS grants \$150,000

Worked with the counties in developing a plan for yearly allocations from the JAIBG funds \$ 30,000

A local group that had been doing a prevention program 20 years ago were inactive but had a CD of \$8,000 which was given to the SYB with the understanding they allow the fund to grow and eventually operated summer youth programs with the interest - now up to \$ 10,000

Worked in developing community coalitions in Collaboration with Community Action's Prevention Department. CAP wrote a Drug Free Communities Grant which provided some dollars for the new coalitions in"

Killdeer/Dunn County	\$ 4,000
Beach	\$ 4,000
Beifield	\$ 4,000
Hettinger	\$ 2,000

Each of these entities raised local dollars and in-kind donations of \$ 24,000

Killdeer/Dunn County also had a building donated for their use as a teen center.

Collaboration is taking available resources to fulfill the needs of the community, it is not necessarily always about getting money. Finding additional funds is sometimes a byproduct of the effort.

The partnership between the City of Dickinson/Chamber of Commerce/ child care facilities/ parents is about taking what we have and putting it to better use. Not about finding more money and starting new programs.

January 30, 2003

Biennium Comparison of 01-03 vs 03-05

	03-05 Projected 35.00% CSCC	01-03 Adm/Collab 18.00% Statewide	Difference	Grants 07/01-06/02	Minimum Projected Grants 03-05
I	\$35,670.25	\$83,729.17	-\$48,058.92	\$43,080.00	
II	\$149,347.10	\$130,579.17	\$18,767.93	\$221,620.00	\$18,767.93
III	\$73,589.85	\$92,229.17	-\$18,659.52	\$151,355.00	
IV	\$178,132.50	\$152,729.17	\$25,403.33	\$405,188.00	\$25,403.33
V	\$89,257.70	\$194,329.13	-\$105,071.43	\$384,845.89	
VI	\$105,823.20	\$147,978.17	-\$42,155.97	\$184,482.07	
VII	\$272,611.85	\$189,529.17	\$83,082.68	\$437,286.00	\$83,082.68
VIII	\$55,357.40	\$117,729.17	-\$62,371.77	\$57,184.55	
SR	\$4,063.15	\$88,479.17	-\$84,416.02	\$0.00	
TM	\$14,073.50	\$90,229.17	-\$76,155.67	\$0.00	
TA	\$0.00	\$112,229.17	-\$112,229.17	\$0.00	
SL	\$0.00	\$100,229.17	-\$100,229.17	\$0.00	
Total	\$977,906.30	\$1,500,000.00	-\$522,093.70	\$1,865,021.51	\$127,253.94

\*The 35% column is 35% of what a R/TCSCC generates. The 18% is a statewide figure. The State CSCC divided the 18% amount (\$1,500,000) and told each R/TCSCC how much of the amount coming back to the R/TCSCC could be spent on administration/collaboration in 01/03.

Regional Total	\$859,769.65	\$1,108,833.32	-\$149,063.67	\$1,865,021.51	\$127,253.94
Tribal Total	\$18,136.65	\$391,166.68	-\$373,030.03	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Date 10/30/03

# Impact of Reducing Admin/Collab to 18%

January 30, 2003

Projected 35.00% Local CSCCs	18% of 03-05 Projected Revenue	Difference
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I & II	\$185,017.35	\$95,151.78	-\$89,865.57
III & IV	\$251,702.15	\$129,448.82	-\$122,255.33
V & VI	\$195,080.90	\$100,327.32	-\$94,753.58
VII & VIII	\$327,989.25	\$168,669.90	-\$159,299.35
SR	\$4,063.15	\$2,089.62	-\$1,973.53
TM	\$14,073.50	\$7,237.80	-\$6,835.70
TA	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
SL	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$977,908.30	\$502,923.24	-\$474,985.06

Regional Total	\$959,769.65	\$493,585.82	-\$466,173.83
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Tribal Total	\$18,138.65	\$9,327.42	-\$8,809.23
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Exhibit 1

**Senate Appropriations**

**HB 1014**

**February 27, 2003**

Chairman Holmberg and members of the Senate Appropriations Committee, my name is Sandy Bendewald. I am serving as the chair of the legislative committee for the state and local CSCCs. I am also the director of the CSCC located out of Jamestown.

My testimony today is on behalf of the legislative committee. The state and local CSCCs come today unified in our support of the engrossed bill.

**Clarification of the funding of the CSCCs and Participating Agencies**

The funds in HB 1014 are [REDACTED]. The CSCC partners generate the funds by claiming Title IV-E and Title XIX reimbursement dollars. The CSCC partnering agencies are called "participating agencies" or "PA's". Only specific agencies qualify to become PA's, mainly special education units, juvenile courts, and public health units. They voluntarily take part in time studies. Based on the results of their time studies and their related financial costs, the federal government "reimburses" the state for their efforts. [REDACTED]

**Refinancing Changes**

There have been [REDACTED], which greatly limit the amount that can be generated. In addition there are changes in procedures and paper work which make it more difficult for the PAs.

Because of the definition changes the amount that will be generated will be less than in previous years. The estimate at the time of the House hearing was that: [REDACTED]

**Amount of Refinancing to be Generated (page 1, line 14)**

Secondly, we do not know how much money will be generated because we do not know how many participating agencies will be participating. A survey of the PAs indicated that the majority of them plan to continue unless the amount returned to their agency drops significantly more or the work to generate the money increases even more. The surveys also were clear that they take part because of the support of the local CSCCs. The majority would drop out if the CSCCs did not exist. Our hope is that more will join back in now because we are not seeing the decrease to be as extreme as we once thought. (Originally we expected the decrease to be at least 75%.)

The last reason we are not sure how much will be generated is because of the tribal CSCCs. Standing Rock CSCC closed the doors as of the end of December but still has one PA (court) that would like to continue to take part in the refinancing process. Spirit Lake may be closing as of July 1<sup>st</sup>. We have not heard from Three Affiliated CSCC. Turtle Mountain may close but may want some participating agencies to continue. Thus the refinancing amounts for tribal CSCCs that are included in the bill are for the Turtle Mountain PAs plus the court from Standing Rock.

All of these factors make determining a figure of how much will be generated very difficult. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Please note that the amount listed in the bill of \$2,514,600 is different than the amount of \$2,794 million. This is because the 10% that goes to DHS is in the DHS budget instead of the CSCC bill.

#### ***How to Prepare the Bill***

Last spring the question of how to prepare the bill was dealt with by the state CSCC, local CSCCs, and participating agencies. The decision was made jointly to make cuts wherever we could and use percentages so no one entity listed in the bill took the entire cut. The first thing we had to do was to determine the amount to be returned to the participating agencies. After all, without their involvement, these monies would not be coming into the state of North Dakota.



***Participating Agencies (page 2, line 14)***

The recommendation in the bill is to [REDACTED] Previously the amount was 20%. The percentage is a lot higher but, because so much less will be generated, the dollar amount raises only slightly. With the changes in the refinancing process requiring participating agencies to do more work and more paper work, we believe it is imperative to raise the percentage to 50%.

***Local CSCCs (page 2, line 10)***

The recommendation in the bill is to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The local CSCCs will have to make major changes in the way they operate. CSCC boards have struggled lately with what to do. Locally they had to prioritize. Many have made plans to cut back in operating costs already. Every place a penny can be saved is being looked at.

The issue of awarding local grants vs leading local collaboration efforts was one of the first decisions to be made. Many of the board members are directors of agencies whose own budgets are also being cut. The easiest decision, for them, would have been to figure out a way to award more money in grants because after all, their agencies could then apply. Local CSCC members did not make that decision. Instead, across the state, we consistently hear that the priority has to be to keep the collaborative leadership from the CSCC and to do that we need a staff person. The CSCCs believe in local grants and will award them if money allows. However, in many CSCCs, money may not be available for grants for the agencies to apply for. The amount of money generated will no longer be enough to maintain the level of grant awards and maintain the amount of collaboration leadership we have had in the past.

As someone not involved in the CSCC, I can imagine that you must be asking yourself just what makes collaboration leadership so important and why the boards would see that as the priority. For many legislative sessions we have struggled with how to explain what the CSCCs do that provides that collaborative leadership. We have also struggled with the question of how to explain the difference it makes, what the outcomes are and what would be missing if the collaborative leadership of the CSCCs was not there.

#### *Examples of Collaboration*

Marlo Mickle, director of Safe Visitation Project which handles court ordered visitations and exchanges of children, stated that without the leadership of the CSCC the program would still be struggling or may have disbanded. Instead, children are able to visit the non-custodial parent in a neutral setting. (The CSCC collaboration leadership for that project was provided by facilitating the whole process: pulling the people together, asking the right questions, helping them get organized and figuring out how it would all work and helping them secure grant money for operations.) The outcome is that children utilizing the center no longer be exposed to fighting, and abusive language during exchanges and that supervised visits can take place without having to drive 200 miles. You can see that we are talking about "real" leadership and "real" outcomes, not just attending meetings and sitting on task forces.

Neil Larson and Wanda Luer from the Human Service Center stated that the CSCC task force provided through leadership of the CSCC, has recruited 24 new foster care homes, far exceeding the results before the CSCC task force was formed. (The collaboration

leadership in this case was provided by facilitating the process: receiving and handling of grant monies from another source for this effort, providing the structure, and in organizing and leading the task force.) The outcome is a decrease in the amount of children waiting for foster homes.

Martha DiCicco, a retired teacher, states that the CSCC has already spent considerable time and energy setting up the framework, building trust levels, and establishing working relationships in order to set up collaborative relationships which has brought about savings of time and dollars. (Her statement speaks to the basic requirements for collaboration. The reputation of the CSCCs as impartial and fair and trustworthy make the collaboration efforts possible.) The outcome is a savings of time and dollars.

The final comment I would like to share from local people is from Lisa Bjergaard from the Division of Juvenile Services who states, "the CSCC's have had seven years of achievement in leading collaborative efforts at the local level. Now is when we truly need the experience and expertise that we've spent all these years developing. At a time when agencies are experiencing budget cuts it just makes good sense to capitalize on this resource. The CSCC can be a vital instrument in each region as we move into an era where collaboration has become essential."

Collaboration leadership must be maintained at the CSCC. To do that the amount for the local CSCCs cannot go lower than 35%.

*State CSCC (page 2, line 9 and page 1, lines 11 and 12)*

It is important to note the membership of the state CSCC so that we can show the wide range of support at the state level for the CSCCs. The governor appoints the chair. Other members include the directors of the Departments of Human Services, Health, Corrections and Rehabilitation, Vocational Education, Indian Affairs, Public Instruction, and the Supreme Court. (All of the major departments concerned about children and families) The recommendation is for [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The only staff of the CSCC is a part time administrative assistant who will be cutting back in hours due to the decrease in dollar amount. The other main cost is a refinancing technical consultant who we need to maintain to insure accurate handling of the refinancing process.

*DHS (page 2, line 8)*

The [REDACTED]. DHS is the only state agency that can bill for reimbursement of the Title IV-E and Title XIX reimbursement dollars.

*Emergency Clause*

The [REDACTED]

Because the definition changes have already taken place, the amount generated will already be much less in the present fiscal year. Without the emergency clause in the bill, the carryover of the smaller regions would be limited to 20% of what they generated. In the case of Williston for example, this might mean only \$16,000 of carryover, making it very difficult to keep the CSCC operating until the next quarter of refinancing money is received.

Chairman Holmberg and members of the Appropriations Committee I would like to thank you, on behalf of the Legislative Committee of the State and R/TCSCCs, for your time and support of the CSCCs. We encourage you to pass the engrossed HB 1014.