Committee on Health and Welfare

Will meet at: 9:30 A.M.  
Date: May 12, 2004

Location: Committee Room 5

Remarks:

**HCR 37 MORRELL**  
**MEDICAID:** Amends the Medicaid rule prohibiting mental health rehabilitation agencies from admitting new clients during the appeals process

**HCR 102 FAUCHEUX**  
**HEALTH CARE:** Amends portion of adult residential care minimum standards regulations

**HCR 155 BRUCE**  
**CHILDREN:** Urges and requests state agency participation in the Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems initiative to establish and promote early childhood development programs

**HB 1168 DORSEY**  
**MASSAGE THERAPISTS:** Provides relative to licensure of massage therapists

**HB 1254 TOWNSEND**  
**PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS:** Revises the definition of "the practice of medicine" to exclude a physician's delegation of the duty to administer anesthesia to anesthesiologist assistants and anesthesia assistants

**HB 1282 TOWNSEND**  
**NURSES:** Repeals the requirement that a registered nurse be under a physician or dentist when administering anesthetics

**HB 1290 TOWNSEND**  
**NURSES:** Provides for authority of certified registered nurse anesthetists to select and administer anesthetics

**HB 1385 DORSEY**  
**FUNDS/FUNDING:** Creates the Louisiana Qualified Health Center Grant Program

**HB 1476 WALSWORTH (TBA)**  
**FEES/LICENSES/PERMITS:** Provides for the licensing and regulating of anesthesiologist assistants (Subject to rule suspension)

**HB 1565 WALKER**  
**MEDICARE:** Provides relative to Medicare surveys for certification as a Medicare facility

**HB 1569 J D SMITH**  
**HEALTH CARE:** Authorizes the establishment of community-based health care access programs for the low-income uninsured

**HB 1603 MARCHAND**  
**HEALTH/SMOKING:** Prohibits smoking in the UNO Lakefront Arena

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SYDNIE MAE DURAND  
Chairman