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By: Representative Mahony

HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS TO MEET FOR THE PURPOSE
OF PREPARING A PLAN FOR THE FUTURE OF PROGRAMS FOR
DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED PERSONS.

WHEREAS, the Arkansas State Department of Human Services has completed departmental planning; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services has called a meeting for December 1st and 2nd concerning short range and long range planning for the Developmental Disabilities Division; and

WHEREAS, this planning process should be proportionately representative of the developmental disabilities population being served; and

WHEREAS, for too long people who are primarily concerned with the Human Developmental Centers and people who are primarily concerned with the community programs have been wedged apart; and

WHEREAS, for too long the central office of the state agency has ignored suggestions and refused to communicate the plans of the state agency,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE THIRD EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE SEVENTY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS,

That the House of Representatives requests that one (1) member of the Division of Developmental Disabilities Board selected by the Board; two (2) persons representing the Human Development Centers selected by the Human Development Centers Superintendents; one (1) parent selected by the Human Development Centers Parents Association; two (2) persons representing the Community Providers selected by the Community Provider's Association; one (1) parent selected by the Community Parents Association; one (1) member of the Department of Human Services Division of Developmental Disabilities Services

central office staff (Grants Administrative Supervisor); one (1) knowledgeable member of the General Counsel's Office of the Department of Human Services and one (1) individual affected with developmental disabilities and selected by the "People First" meet for the purpose of preparing and presenting to any Department of Human Services sanctioned planning process a short and long range plan for the future and fiscal structure of the services/programs for persons with developmental disabilities in the State of Arkansas. The plan should be one that would be agreeable to seventy-five percent of the affected parties in Arkansas. The plan should include, but not be limited to the following: Arkansas' Philosophy for Service; Definition of Eligible Recipients; DDS Mission Statement and Goals; Scope and Configuration of Service Delivery System (types of services, statewide or area specific by service category, array of services vs. totally integrated services); Contractual Arrangements for Provision of Services (service contracts with nonprofit providers, contracts with for-profit providers); Strategies for Building on Existing Service Delivery System for Expansion and Change.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the goal of such a plan would be to result in the amicable settlement of the Baldrige_v._Clinton pending lawsuit and would establish a basis prepared by Arkansas people for Arkansas people to strictly guide the agency's policies to be practiced by the new deputy director of the agency.

