4-17-2014

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS

PUBLIC COMMENT - JIM CASHA

RE: HB 5313

I SUPPORT REP. TLAIB'S AMMENDMENT (4th) FOR $500,000 FOR A PRENATAL ALCOHOL PREVENTION PROGRAM.

I ASK THAT THIS COMMITTEE INCLUDE FUNDING IN THE APPROPRIATE SECTION(S) (MDOC, DHS, PROBATE COURTS, MDCH) FOR 'COURT ORDERED' DIAGNOSTIC TESTING AND EVALUATIONS OF ~~INDIVIDUALS~~ INMATES ALLEGED TO HAVE DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES RELATED TO PRENATAL ALCOHOL EXPOSURE.

SAID TESTING TO INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO:

1) INTENSIVE NEUROPSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATIONS
2) MEDICAL EXAMS INC. NEUROIMAGING, EEG'S, ETC
3) REVIEW OF REPORTS BY QUALIFIED PROFESSIONALS KNOWLEDGEABLE ~~[illegible]~~ ABOUT FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDERS (FASD).

RESPECTFULLY,