

**TESTIMONY BEFORE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
COMMITTEE
PROJECT STARTUP REPORTS:
CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES
MEDICAID MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTING
NOVEMBER 16, 2007**

Chairman Robinson, members of the Information Technology Committee, I am Jennifer Witham, Director of Information Technology Services for the Department of Human Services (DHS). I appear before you to provide startup reports for the Children with Disabilities and the Medicaid Management and Administrative Reporting projects.

Children with Disabilities

Senate Bill 2326 was passed by the 2007 Legislature and signed into law to provide Optional Medical Assistance for families of children with disabilities whose net income does not exceed two hundred percent of the federal poverty line. This program will allow for a buy-in program under the federal Family Opportunity Act enacted as part of the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005. The full **start-up report** is attached to my testimony.

Medicaid Management and Administrative Reporting

This project represents the implementation of ACS's Enterprise Management and Administrative Reporting System (EMAR) to provide Medicaid utilization and budget forecasting reports over our legacy claims. Predefined reports which have been created by ACS using the Cognos business intelligence product and Oracle data marts will be made available to Medical Services and Fiscal Administrative staff in time to be used for the 2009 budget planning cycle. The data marts will include 2005-2007 and 2007-2009 claims data. The **full start-up report** is attached to my testimony.

If you have any questions, I would be happy to address them at this time.