EOC Will Study

"Alternative Families"

MADISON—A subcommittee of the Equal Opportunities Commission (EOC) has adopted the recommendations of the Madison Institute for Social Legislation (MISL) in setting up a study group on the issue of "domestic partner" rights. The subcommittee further adopted a MISL proposal in defining its area of study as "alternative family" rights.

"We have to thank MISL for bringing the issue to our attention," said EOC member Barb Cox. "I think some people had the impression that this might be a narrow issue, but we're seeing countless examples of people who live in alternative families and don't get the same breaks as people in more traditional settings."

MISL member Duane Kolterman said he was pleased by the subcommittee's actions. "We'll continue to press the issue from here," he said.

People interested in serving on the study group can contact Cindy Wick at the EOC, 266-4910. People interested in knowing more about MISL's work can leave a message for Kate at 256-7664.