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Children's television star Shari Lewis dies

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Shari Lewis, who used her whimsical skills as a ventriloquist and puppeteer to win 11 Emmy awards and the hearts of parents and their children for four decades with a woolly bear puppet named Lamb Chop, died on Monday at Cedars in Los Angeles. She was 65 and had a history of cancer.

The cancer was cancer, said her spokeswoman, Maggie Bagley. There she cancer was diagnosed in 1995, and Lewis had been undergoing chemotherapy for six weeks, Bagley said. She was thought to be doing well but had developed pneumonia.

Lewis' illness caused her to cut short her production in Vancouver of the latest television series she was creating for PBS, "The Charlie Horse Music Pizza." The series began last January and has been a mainstay of PBS programming for children. A spokesman for PBS said Monday that three remaining episodes will be broadcast in the fall.

"This year marked Lewis' 50th anniversary as a performer. Her career started in 1948 when she appeared in a local NKJL show in New York and pulled a rabbit out of a hat (her father had taught her the trick only the day before). Her first PBS series before "The Charlie Horse Music Pizza" was "Lamb Chop Play-Along," which ran from 1961 to 1965. The show won five Emmys in five years as well as a New York International Film Festival Gold Award and many other prizes.

Earlier this year, Lewis said she got the idea for "The Charlie Horse Music Pizza" during a conversation with her husband, the publisher Jerry Lewis. In which they decided that what children liked most was music, pizza and the beach. The show features Don DeLuzio as a chef who delivers pizza by skateboard.

Lewis was acknowledged to have all the instincts of a multitalented entertainer. Although she was never a schoolteacher, she knew how to reach children with her puppet sidekick, chief among them being

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of our legal system," Ruff said in a statement.
If the courts oblige, the move would delay Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr from questioning Clinton for some time.
On a related matter, the U.S. District Judge Bernard Hoffman said that legal sources said permitted the evidence to determine if Starr improperly leaked grand jury records. But the sources said the risk of giving the American political process back to the voters.

Getting a vote on Shays-Moahan has taken more than a year. House Republicans have been intent on pursuing investigations into alleged Democratic fundraising violations during the 1996 election cycle. The House Judiciary Committee has been slow to act on the bill because of the need for more information.

Legal sources familiar with the bill, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the court ruled the bill should be turned over and reviewed by the president's lawyers.

David Kendall, the president's lawyer, has accused Starr of illegal leaks and requested that the president be notified of the contents of Starr's office has denied providing any information improperly.

Starr's prosecution would be far from unopposed, grand jury appearance. That could come as early as later this week or early next week, legal sources said.

At the White House, the possibility of Clinton would reverse previous statements and admit his sexual relationship with his former White House aide, a strategy suggested by some Republican lawmakers over the weekend as a way to avoid impeachment proceedings.

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considered, they would receive a \$25 fine up from the \$100 fine.
Beulah Department and Animal Control officials were to give more advice from their boards before returning to the council with recommendations.

City Councilman Dale Young suggested the minimum fine be raised to \$100.
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