

today does not kill it. I am not going to put a kill motion up. But if you oppose it today, it will sit here on Select File and we will see if we get some of the questions answered that came up. I noted a number of people did not vote. I would urge you not to vote on the advancement either. I noted a number of people opposed the amendment, some of whom said they opposed it because they objected to the fact that everybody wasn't at 100 percent. There are those who would like to see the 100 percent requirement for everyone which, frankly, I would too. I just didn't think that was doable. But those of you who still have questions about this bill, whether it is a good idea to allow this 15 percent money to be put directly into the pocket of the person that arranges the pre-need sale, those of you who still aren't clear on the bill, I urge you to vote no on the advancement or to not vote. We'll leave the bill here, and it is obvious, again those who say we have got to compromise on this, it sure is obvious to me and it ought to be obvious to the rest of you that have heard from folks coming into your office, and been reading your mail, and been receiving your phone calls, this is not an agreed to bill. For that reason I don't think we should rush to advancing this bill today. I urge you to vote no on the advancement.

PRESIDENT: Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. Mr. President, members, as I spoke earlier, I had mixed feelings about the Withem amendment though I thought it was well-placed in terms of the concern. I wasn't sure whether or not it would actually solve the problem. I am going to support the advancement of the bill but I am going to do it with the understanding, I just talked with Senator Pappas and I would like to work with him and Senator Johnson on exactly making it clear to consumers what the situation is in terms of these escrow accounts. I think some sort of effort to inform them before they make a decision would be wise and I think that could be worked out quite nicely. So I will work with those introducers and I think we could come to some compromise on that. That would help me feel a lot better knowing that the consumer out there would know that the 15 percent may be jeopardized, and so with that understanding I can live with the advancement of the bill at this time.

PRESIDENT: Senator Pappas, do you wish to speak on the motion to advance?