

and adopted yesterday as was an amendment to those. When the Legislature adjourned there was pending amendment AM2750 offered by Senators Wesely and Withem and an amendment to that, AM2751, you'll find that amendment on page 322 of the Journal, Mr. President.

SENATOR WILL: Thank you. Senator Withem or Senator Wesely, would you like to bring us up to date on your amendment?

SPEAKER WITHEM: Yeah, this was the last item of business we were transacting yesterday when we adjourned. It is an amendment to the definition of supervision that was a key part of the discussion between the physicians and the nurse practitioners. The specific language, and I don't have that in front of me, but there is a reference in the definition that is close to being agreed upon but is not totally, and this amendment deals with that section that is not totally agreed to. There is an amendment that...within the definition we're proposing to you at this time with the underlying Withem amendment on the board is the term "direction of". This amendment would strike the term "direction of" and insert "advice on" so that the effect of it would be if you have a continuum where on one end you have a, an employer-employee relationship and on the other end you would have a totally independent working relationship, the term "with supervision" puts it someplace in the middle, "direction of" puts it over in the view of many of the nurse practitioners too much along the line of it being an employer-employee type of relationship although, you know, it certainly is not any...with the other language in this amendment it certainly is no where near that far. What the term "advice on" would do would be it would move it a little bit along the continuum more toward the, the nurse practitioners being able to exercise more of the independent type of judgement. So, with that, Mr. Chair, I would relinquish the rest of my time and indicate that this is the, the intention of the amendment and that is the item before us is an amendment to the amendment striking the words "direction of" and inserting the words "advice on".

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Senator Withem. Senator Landis, you are recognized.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I rise and will only rise hopefully once on this