

happen anyhow and with that explanation I'll be willing to allow Senator Wesely to discuss the language with the Director of Social Services, but I do want to raise the point and tell you that unless we have some better explanations I probably will offer an amendment on Select File to strike that word out of the committee amendments. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Beutler, please.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I had some concerns with the same section of the committee amendments because essentially they are nongermane to the bill. But Senator Wesely has explained that in the opinion of the Director of Social Services anyway, those provisions are required by the federal government. Those provisions are contained in another Judiciary Committee bill which deals more broadly with the child abuse section of the statutes. As you may or may not know, the district courts in three different areas have declared those statutes unconstitutional because we didn't do a good enough job keeping vagueness out of them when we passed them in the first instance. So I'm very concerned about the fact that we're very careful about these definitions as we proceed and, Senator Wesely, as I understand it, you have agreed that if this provision is not absolutely required by the federal government that you're agreeable to deleting it from this bill, going back to the Judiciary bill where we're dealing with the subject as a whole and allowing it to be dealt with there. Is that correct? Okay, thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Chambers, please. Excuse me, Senator Chambers, we have another amendment to the amendments.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to amend the committee amendments. (Read Chambers amendment as found on page 1411 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I haven't had the opportunity to look at this bill in detail and maybe what it attempts to do is meritorious, but what I'm opposed to is the fees being