

think the body should get fixed in your mind that you can necessarily or arbitrarily apply the same kind of comparison for both kinds of services because there are distinct, different requirements.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Morehead, please, then Senator Hall.

SENATOR MOREHEAD: Mr. President and colleagues, apparently Senator Lynch was distracted just a moment ago when I was addressing Senator Conway because I was pointing out the same thing to Senator Conway that I will repeat again for the benefit of Senator Lynch and the others of you who might also be distracted. Now this is a nice idea to apply both Touche-Ross models to this program, except that the two Touche-Ross models were developed for entirely different purposes and statistically it does not work. Go down and talk to anybody, Senator Conway who teaches and studies statistics. It doesn't work. The institutional models were developed on medical base, meeting federal requirements and Medicaid standards, et cetera, et cetera. The community based programs are developed on a developmental base not meeting the medical standards and requirements that the federal government imposes upon our institutional models. So Senator Warner was very nice in saying that it is going to cause a lot of work, but it is going to skew the results. The results will not be right. We know there is the fight out there that the people who are in the regions want to have the same dollar figure that they see being spent in the institutions, and we are backed into a corner in some ways on that. But the models aren't compatible. They don't work. They cannot be compared. They meet different reasons and for different purposes they function. There is more than just buildings involved. The types of clients that are served in the community based programs are obviously able to be in a community based program. If you go to the Beatrice Developmental Center and you start talking about moving some of those clients right now into community based programs, they are going to take one on one, 24 hour a day staffing. It is incredible. I know that many of you have avoided that situation because it is not pleasant, unfortunately. Those people that are in community based programs are being served very well and very capably, just like those people in the institutions are now being served very well and very capably. But to apply either one of those models to the other program is folly and it will not work and I ask you