

motion was to adopt the amendment, but we discussed that first. So there is a closing coming. Since you have talked...Senator Remmers, you have put your light on. Did you wish to speak on this first part of the bill having to do with parents who have never been married?

SENATOR REMMERS: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, really I did want to speak to the bill, but I am going to speak right now. I will say that I'm going to oppose the bill. I've been asked that my name was on that bill, and I will admit that it was. I had some questions about it when I put my name on. I guess I should have withdrawn my name from the bill. But I just want to make it clear that I am not supporting the bill in any form. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Now Senator Lowell Johnson or Senator Hoagland, which...Senator Hoagland first? Okay.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Yes, we...

SPEAKER NICHOL: Now you are closing. You are closing now.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Yes, Senator Lowell Johnson and I would like to share closing. Let me just, so everyone understands what we are voting on here, we are voting on whether or not we should adopt that portion of the amendment that will allow grandparent visitation in a situation where the parents are not married, in a situation where they are not married. For reasons previously stated I would encourage you to vote yes so that the children of unmarried parents will have the same rights, when appropriate, to have visitation with their grandparents as the children of married parents. With that, I'd...Senator Johnson would like to finish the closing, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Lowell Johnson.

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, Senator Hoagland I think covered that particular item, the one which is the key element in this case, regardless of any of the conditions, and the following safeguards are provided in the bill. There must be proof that a significant beneficial relationship exists. It must be, and paramount in all of our discussions this morning, we want to make this one of the key points, it must be in the