

SENATOR WESELY: Yes. Mr. President and members, as part of our discussions yesterday I appreciated the chance to pass over the bill and we did meet and the Withem amendment, Lowell Johnson amendment, was something everybody could live with. It does deal with the Diet Centers, the Weight Loss Clinics and in fact, it's felt that the bill does not now affect them. However, just to make it clear to them this amendment would clarify that that is the case and so I don't think anybody has any problem with that and I'd support the amendment.

PRESIDENT: Is there further...Senator Haberman. Senator Haberman, do you wish to speak on the Withem amendment?

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the body, may I have a question of Senator Withem, please?

PRESIDENT: Senator Withem is available.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Senator Withem, your amendment says any person can put these classes and services on that have been developed with the assistance of and approved by a dietitian. Does this mean that a dietitian who offers this weight control class is in a position to develop their classes and services and put their own stamp of approval on this?

SENATOR WITHEM: I'm not sure I understand the question, Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: All right, I'll try to explain it. Any person offering the weight control classes and services, if the classes and services have been developed with the assistance of and approved by a dietitian, okay?

SENATOR WITHEM: Okay.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Now, if the dietitian also owns or operates the center, then does this mean that they can put the stamp of approval on their own enterprise?

SENATOR WITHEM: Yeah, just as they can in any other sort of operation that the dietitian is running.

SENATOR HABERMAN: So in other words, your amendment, you