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PRESIDENT: The bill is advanced. LB 433 is next.

CLERK: Mr. President, 433 was a bill offered by Senator Wesely. (Read title.) It was read in January of last year, referred to the Health and Human Services Committee for hearing, advanced to General File. There are committee amendments, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. Mr. President, this bill tries to identify, as a priority among mental health services, services for the children of our state. One of the things that is called for in the bill would have a children's mental health advisory committee in each of the regions of the state that provide mental health services. There was some concern about adding yet another committee and so that provision would be stricken under the committee amendments and the existing Mental Health Advisory Committee structure that already exists in the regions would continue to do their planning for mental health services and we would only encourage that the children would be considered in that planning. So that would be the committee amendment.

PRESIDENT: Is there discussion on the committee amendments? If not, the motion is to adopt them. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Voting on the committee amendments. Have you all voted? Record the vote, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the committee amendments, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The amendments are adopted. LB 433, Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Again, this bill tries to again recognize that children's services for mental health is important. Sometimes they get lost in the shuffle and this would say that if...and as is the case now when new mental health funds become available we consider services for the children and it also talks about some planning that would coordinate services for children, mental health needs. And that is really the extent of the bill.