

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR WESELY: the situation is I've got one minute to try and explain something that takes longer than that to even get geared up, but...

PRESIDENT MOUL: You're up right after that too.

SENATOR WESELY: All right. The situation is that if you are now providing day care in a home setting and don't wish to be licensed, you can have any number of your own children that you're caring for in your home, but no more than three other children from other families that you're also providing care for in your home before you then need to be licensed. If you go to four, then that changes the whole situation and then you need to be licensed for those four and included in your total or however many children of your own you're caring for. See what I'm saying. If you trip the trigger and go to four children that you're caring for outside of your own family, then your children in your family count. That's the way it's always been. If you care for three or fewer children other than your own family members, then...

PRESIDENT MOUL: Time, and we'll go into the next one.

SENATOR WESELY: All right. Then you don't...sure, I'll be glad to. So the status, we aren't trying to change that and I think what Senator Lamb is trying to do doesn't try and change that either. I'm a little worried about the language, but he has promised me if it isn't quite right he'll help me fix it on Select File, so I'm going to agree to the Lamb amendment with the idea of putting in place the...what we're already doing. I'm willing to do that. The...we worked previously with Senator Smith on similar types of things. Keep in mind we've gone through, because of the concerns of people like Senator Smith and Senator Lamb and Senator Moore, we've had a major rewrite of the licensure requirements for family day care and we have made adjustments. For instance, we now allow overlap for additional children, two additional children and this has been a benefit, as a matter of fact, of my own situation with my own daughter who can come in for a brief period of time and they can have more than eight children for that brief period of time to help before and after school and we've done that. We didn't used to allow that, but just the last couple of years we went to that