

out to harm children, that's why the Department of Social Services exists is to serve children. Now they don't always accomplish that goal, let's acknowledge that. There's no reason to try and develop this sort of feeling that they're evil and their intent is unkind. So, this bill and the way it's been handled, however, has seemed to take what is a bad situation and intensified it. So I object to the fact that the bill is on General...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR WESELY: ...File, object to the way it was pulled out of committee. I object to the fact that we haven't had a situation where people have been willing to deal with one another on this matter in a way that I think is much more constructive. It's really angered me a great deal. In that anger I haven't been as constructive in dealing with this as I should be, although I tried in committee to work through that. So I hope after a little bit of time, perhaps, some of the feelings that people have can tone down a bit and we can see whether or not we can work through this. But at this point, where we had a situation where we could have moved forward and brought the agencies together and tried to see what kind of, on a trial basis, we could do to change the system and learn from that, right now I don't see a whole lot of chance for us to bridge over the gulf and the gap between these agencies.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Time.

SENATOR WESELY: We'll see if that won't change though in the future. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Bernard-Stevens. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 1 nay to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Debate has ceased. Senator Avery, you are recognized to close on your motion to advance.

SENATOR AVERY: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members. Just a quick point. And I understand Senator Wesely's concern, he is the Chairman of Health Committee. I offered amendments to that. This bill was not pulled from committee. My understanding they