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SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Wesely, would you care to respond?

SENATOR WESELY: The amendment deals with an attempt to get data which can then be utilized to help contain health care cost. Certificate of need is intended to help contain health care cost. In that regard I consider them germane.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Baack, have you any comment?

SENATOR BAACK: Yes, I think these concepts deal specifically with how hospitals are licensed and the certificate of need deals with how hospitals operate, what kind of services that they offer. I think they are two different subjects.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Wesely, a question, please. Line 5 of AM1268, number one, applicants for a license shall. Who are the license...who are the applicants? These are applicants for...

SENATOR WESELY: Hospitals.

SPEAKER BARRETT: A CON, for hospital.

SENATOR WESELY: Hospital.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Applicants for a license to run a hospital?

SENATOR WESELY: Right.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The Chair is prepared to rule and on the basis of subject matter, I...the Chair would declare the amendment to be not germane. Senator Wesely, okay.

SENATOR WESELY: Go to the next amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Next item, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Wesely, I have AM1269, Senator. (Wesely amendment appears on pages 1686-90 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members. I didn't