

simple. If you know the field of chiropractic, you understand that they are extremely well trained in the use of diagnostic x-ray. They have as much training as anybody in the health care profession concerning the use of diagnostic x-ray. And all they are asking for is the ability to use that diagnostic x-ray in taking pictures of the extremities. Now, if there is a danger involved with the use of x-ray at all, it comes in the use of that x-ray when you're x-raying soft tissue of the body, x-ray of the liver, x-ray of the kidneys, this is where the problem is, not with the extremities. Expanding this practice to the chiropractors to use x-ray of the extremities is just and it certainly is well intended. As a matter of fact, the 407 process determined that this should happen. With the advent of the adoption of these committee amendments, the bill will become one that allows them usually to use only the expanded practice of the x-ray of the extremities. And there can be nothing wrong with that. I sincerely hope that you will adopt the committee amendments and adopt the bill. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Smith, please.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to ask Senator Langford a couple of questions, if I might and I'll move over to this other microphone. Senator Langford, I've been listening to both sides of this argument and I want to make it...I want to have it very clear for my own self. Now can you explain to me the amendments, the committee amendments would, what exactly would those amendments do? And you had an amendment, didn't you, to the bill?

SENATOR LANGFORD: Well, the amendment that I have was adopted by the committee.

SENATOR SMITH: By the committee, okay. Can you explain to me exactly what that does?

SENATOR LANGFORD: Yes. It takes out the other diagnostic processes that the chiropractors wanted. So actually what you're voting on is x-ray, that is the amendment, everything else is removed.

SENATOR SMITH: Okay, I thank you. I wanted that in the record, and if you'll just stay right there, I might ask you for a little further explanation because that has been expressed to me as a concern and a reason why I should not support the bill,