

point that you made down here regarding small businesses. This saves the business the licensing fee of \$3,000, if they are within the realm of what we allowed above. And then you said this also allows plumbers, electricians and other trades the ability to remove asbestos by training and certifying their employees, okay, and then I am reading in the bill, and I found, basically, is it correct that the training course is developed by the business? Is that the way this should be interpreted on page 6, lines 17 to 25, and they have to use...meeting the standards that are prescribed in Section 71-6310.01, and so on?

SENATOR WESELY: Right.

SENATOR SMITH: Okay, they do it themselves?

SENATOR WESELY: They could. They just have to have it approved by the department, as I understand it, so...

SENATOR SMITH: Do they...are these businesses, and I am talking about, again, you and I were sitting here discussing it a little bit earlier, the fact that rural, rural population, is very different in composition and in the size of the businesses, et cetera, than Lincoln and Omaha businesses, and the availability to them of the kind of things sometimes that maybe those people out in the rural communities aren't even aware of. How are these businesses going to be made aware of where this information is to be obtained about putting together that course?

SENATOR WESELY: Senator Smith, that is already in the law, so that is already (interruption)...

SENATOR SMITH: Well, if it is in the law, then that is what I am asking, how are they, how are they made aware of this fact that they have that responsibility? Have they been made aware of this responsibility?

SENATOR WESELY: I assume that they are familiar with the situation in asbestos, and I don't know if there is any specific notification process that is ongoing, but, you know, I don't know of any specific program to reach out but I don't think there has been any problem. This has been in effect now for over a year, the training requirements.

SENATOR SMITH: Yeah, but that isn't really what I am talking