

helping us solve our problem out there. So for those reasons once again, I do ask for a suspension of the rules.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Lamb, please, followed by Senator Wesely.

SENATOR LAMB: Just very briefly, Mr. President, Senator Wesely brings up a worst case scenario. Certainly, you can find those whether you're looking at a day care center or you're looking at a private home. Also, the situation he referred to in Omaha was one where a licensed day care center was the one where there were the abuses, the drugs, the pit bull, it was a licensed day care center. The proprietor had been selected as day care provider of the year previously, and so to me, that tells me that government cannot guarantee safe passage for everyone. It's primarily the duty of the parent to select the place where the child should be and as I explained before, it's very difficult, particularly in small towns and I think also in large towns, to find places because a lot of these people that would care for children will not do it if they have to go through the red tape of state licensing. And to allow them to keep five instead of three children I think is very logical, it's not going to hurt anybody, it's going to help some people that otherwise cannot find the type of day care that they'd like to have, and so I hope you would suspend the rules. I had a problem last year. I had the bill. It went to committee. It came out of comm...it was voted out of committee. Senator Wesely didn't report it in the eight-day period, so we had quite a bit of folderol about that. Eventually it did get on the floor, but by that time it had been amended so far that you wouldn't recognize it. So while this may be a bit of an unusual procedure to suspend the rules, put it on this bill, I would submit that it's already been subjected to unusual procedure. I hope you would suspend the rules.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Wesely, followed by Senator Chambers. Senator Chambers, please.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, when we have a proposal before us we should try to determine who is to be benefitted by it. I think Senator Moore and Senator Lamb are interested in those who are going to do this kind of work as a job, a means to make money. The wherewithal for making that money will be children. The purpose of the licensure requirements is to ensure that those people who handle