

think...I think that the issue is one probably of eligibility for the programs themselves, the funding, and we don't want, as a body, to lop off or out of the program those providers which do, in fact, provide those types of services as well as other services which are called for under the bill. So possibly Senator Lindsay and I will work on that language in the next few minutes and come up with something. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Labeledz.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you, Mr. President. I spoke to Senator Landis a moment ago and assured him that the way I read the bill, with the amendment, the...any organization now is eligible to apply for the grant. One of the questions that I asked Senator Scofield, and I have a transcript of the debate, and I said, Senator Scofield, would you be willing to amend the bill so that it is clear that a school district would not use one of the start-up grants to start a school-based clinic? And I'm sorry, I don't want to be paranoid about a subject like this but I certainly don't want to be naive so I would like to ask...would like you to answer the question. Senator Scofield said, Senator Labeledz, and I want to say I appreciate your sport on this particular issue, and I want to add here that I have always supported 662, but I am at a point now where I doubt whether I can support the bill if these amendments keep coming up and will be attached to 662. After all, we're spending a million and a half dollars on this issue and I want to make sure that if I support anything, that I am correct in what I'm trying to do. She went on to say, a school would not probably even be eligible to do that because if you will notice the way this is directed, it has to have the entire community's support to even apply for a grant. No individual entity would come in and say, this is our own little idea and we want to do this. It would have to be based on a community consensus. In Omaha, I guess you would divide that into even smaller communities in the whole city. But I will use a community that is smaller, namely Chadron. Now any entity, not the school, not the community action agency, not a single church, not anybody would come in and say, I want to do this and apply. They have to show that they have people sign off communitywide that are in agreement with, one, the needs assessment that the community has conducted, saying this is what our need is and, two, this is what we're going to do. And I would expect you to see a lot more kinds of things rather than a school-based clinic which I don't think you would have enough money here even if you wanted