

insurance if employment related insurance was not available, and clarifying language was added, and the second amendment grouping eliminated new language which conflicts with current...is in conflict with current Nebraska case law. And then they restore certain defenses available to proposed income withholding, based on foreign support order. So that's the basis of what's in the amendment itself. And I'd like to go ahead and just give you kind of an overview now in more depth about what was originally in the bill. As I said, it's one of three that was introduced this year. It was not special ordered, it was an understanding on the part of the Speaker that this one was not necessary, but in fact it is as necessary as the other two bills that were special ordered, because in 1990 DSS's child support enforcement office was audited by the federal government. In exit interviews, last fall, DSS was told they failed the audit. However, official paperwork on this bill, this one, have not come back from that office yet, it's expected, though, at any time. And if that's the case then we failed the program standards, and there's a penalty for doing that, just as there is on the other bills. This one will just be a few months behind the others, so they don't have the official letter telling them at this point in time on this one. Basically, this is a child support bill. That's the reason that I think I'm...that there is no problem with trying to amend it into the other bill, and it's in the area of income withholding. A short summary of the amendment itself, again in more clarity, I think, I'd like to give to you, than what I had given to you earlier. What it does include basically is medical support, which is a major part of the bill; it authorizes the county, or they authorize the attorney to file for and enforce medical support. And that medical support is limited to include only the cost that was accrued at the birth of the child, and in addition to that any health insurance coverage, if it is already available at the place of work. And, if it's been shown, in other words if it's ordered that the spouse, if it were the father in this case, working at a place of employment that carries health insurance, can afford to pay the family support, in addition to the family...the other support that he's paying for the children, or if maybe the mother is capable of paying the cost of the insurance, it would be available to her to receive that, in addition to his insurance that he's receiving at his place of employment. So I want to make it really clear, it does not require that he has to purchase new insurance for this family; it's only if it's available, or that every business has to make it available. It's just if it is available and it's determined