

SENATOR ROBINSON: Yeah.

SENATOR WESELY: If all three agree for or against, that makes it easy. If they split, then you have to decide, from the arguments they give, which makes more sense.

SENATOR ROBINSON: What was it in this case, can you relate that to me.

SENATOR WESELY: Yes, the first two levels of review recommended approval of something along the lines of the bill as introduced. The last level, the Director of Health, objected and opposed that proposal.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Okay. Referring to the...to your amendment and Senator Moore's amendment, it lists like, "oral ocular pharmaceutical agents except that supervision shall not be required for analgesics and anti-infective pharmaceutical agents, topical ocular pharmaceutical agents for the treatment of glaucoma." And then it goes down below and says, "supervision shall mean the ready availability of the supervising ophthalmologist for consultation and direction of activities of the optometrist." When would the...if this happened to pass, when would the optometrist call the ophthalmologist? Why would he call the ophthalmologist?

SENATOR WESELY: He would, I think, if you're talking about supervision, of course, this is all subject to some discussion. But, if you have consultation and collaboration, you have a level that is, basically, you kind of set forth, and here's, basically, the parameters of your operation, and check in if you have any questions. Supervision is more of a level that if you have somebody come in with a glaucoma diagnosis or some concern, I would expect and optometrist to call the ophthalmologist involved and say, basically, here is the circumstance, here is my plan, what do you think.

SENATOR ROBINSON: But he could...he could take...administer any of these...

SENATOR WESELY: Oh, I'm sorry.

SENATOR ROBINSON: ...any of the...