

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Okay. The second question I would have is we insert, in part of the conflict statute here, or a member of the agent's or principal officers immediate family. How do I define immediate family? How far...I understand that you want to try to extend that. But my problem is how far do you go, is there a statute that talks...is immediate family spouse, parents, children? I just don't know where that goes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: I've always understood that immediate family has the meaning of spouse and children. That would be the intent that I would give it, Senator.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Okay. Thank you, Senator Beutler. I...I guess this is one of those amendments that I don't...I think that the application is already...and Senator Beutler, if you disagree, let me know. But I think the applications are already public records. And the public records statute is 29-911 that talks about abuse of those things, that you're probably guilty of that already, and that what this does is just sort of make another reference. But in making another reference, it only makes it apply to the application and not to the other sections of it. But I do feel that it's already included in the law, and it probably isn't necessary. The immediate family part of it, I don't know that that helps me out any either because we talk about the person, the agent having substantial interest in the people he's referring to or reviewing to. Immediate family, although it appears to extend it, I just don't know how far it does that. If there's a statute that would nail that down I'd be more comfortable doing that. I probably am not going to vote for the amendment, but I guess I feel like Senator Beutler, he's proposing it, and if people want to vote for it, fine, I'm not at this particular point the way it's drafted. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Does anyone else wish to speak to this amendment? Seeing none, do you have closing, Senator Beutler?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Madam President, members of the Legislature, again it's not something worth taking a lot of time on. I think this...I think there are some ambiguities in the abuse of public records statute. All this does is tie it in more closely to that statute and extend, to some degree, the prohibition against conflict of interest. The conflict of interest prohibition in the statute is extended to immediate family. So would ask the