

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, Senator Beyer, I would like to I think first ask a few questions, if I may, because there are parts of it I don't understand. I know you eliminated entirely the whole set of statutes that existed previous to this, and so I know that some of the things in here are not new, and they are old, but sometimes the things that are old seem a little strange too. But let me ask you this. In the bill, it is presumed that there will be some licensing standards, and ordinarily when we pass legislation, we try to give some guidance to who is ever setting up these licensing standards with regard to what might be the types of things for which a license could be revoked or suspended or taken away. In this particular bill, as I understand it, it is left entirely to the secretary without any guidance from the Legislature to set up whatever standards he pleases, is that not correct?

SENATOR BEYER: Well, yes, it would be by rules and regulations that he would adopt, yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay, but we are giving him no guidance whatsoever with regard to the types of standards that we want to set up?

SENATOR BEYER: No.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay, does it seem to you that it might be appropriate to at least give them some guidance or should we leave it to the imagination of the Secretary of State, in this instance, as to how tough or how easy or what criteria he wants to set up with regard to the revocation or suspension of licenses? That would be my first question and I would just ask you to think about that.

SENATOR BEYER: Well, I would think that, you know, that once you get your rules and regulations set up, it does leave a lot to the Secretary of State. Of course, he is doing all of that right now. He, basically, is doing that and then there is no review. I mean if somebody does something wrong, there is no place to go.

SENATOR BEUTLER: There is no...pardon me?

SENATOR BEYER: Well, if somebody does something that, you know, is beyond what little regulation we do have, there is no...