

back to the way it was done before which had been in place and to allow for nurse practitioners to allow physician assistants to provide for these physical exams and then also it deals with the question of immunizations and in our statute we allow an individual to indicate that an immunization would be harmful physically. These two areas of physician assistants and nurse practitioners would also be able to carry that out. There was such a positive response to this proposal at the hearing and there was concern that the session won't end till June, then 90 days afterwards this would take effect. Well, school would be starting before that. We need to have the emergency clause on the bill so that's all that the committee amendment does is it adds the emergency clause.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Wesely. The question is the adoption of the committee amendments. Any discussion? Seeing none, Senator Wesely, any closing? Closing has been waived. The question is the adoption of the committee amendments. All in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of committee amendments.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The committee amendments are adopted. Senator Wesely, to open on the bill.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. Mr. Speaker, members, I've done a great job of opening on the bill so much that everybody is now confused about what the bill does. Let me explain very clearly as best I can. All it does is add that physician assistants and nurse practitioners under the law are able to carry out school physical exams and those are required again for entering school and then also for seventh grade. So again physician assistants and nurse practitioners can do those exams. Also we require immunizations to be carried out, but we allow an exemption. You don't have to have immunizations and here we're talking about the preschool population of children and then upon entering school you have to have the immunizations as well. The same applies for these immunizations that physicians can now do it, but also now nurse practitioners and physician assistants can do those immunization exemptions that it would be harmful for the individual to have the immunization. So that's all the bill does. It takes us back to the situation that was prior to the AG opinion and I would ask support for the bill and I'd be happy to answer questions if there's any uncertainty about the