

remind you that it provides that flexibility in a context where a great many children may have three, or four, or five, or six different sets of foster parents, may have at least that many caseworkers or more, and may have a couple of custodians at different homes to go along with it. So I think to mandate a review of all of those different folks for purpose of a particular proceeding may not be reasonable at all and may add unnecessary expense. I just present quickly to you that alternative because I think it's a choice that the body should make. Thank you.

PRESIDENT POBAK: Thank you. Chair recognizes Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Madam President, members. If I could ask Senator Beutler, I'm not quite sure what the language of the amendment is. Could you explain on which lines, what's being changed so I can mark that down.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Um-huh. Senator, on line 6 of the amendment, after the double small i, at the end,...

SENATOR LINDSAY: Yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...add the words "may include".

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you. Members, with this...what the committee did was separate these out. It did require an inquiry of those three classifications, caseworkers, foster parents or other custodians. And then allowed a permissive inquiry of the other individuals that are set forth in the committee amendments. So it does make a separation. I think Senator Beutler probably described, from my reading of his amendment, probably described it well, that it offers you another policy choice, and that is to...whether that ought, those first three ought to be mandatory or permissive. And it's a one...again, as on the other one, I think I ought to listen to debate again, because I...Senator Beutler mentioned an interesting point, and that is a situation where you have a child with a multitude of foster parents. And are we...do we want to mandate contact with each of those foster parents, or do we want to leave that to the discretion of the guardian ad litem to contact those foster parents with whom a bond has been made? This, I should note, does not require the in-depth or the personal consultation or anything like that. This is intended to be more of an inquiry so I don't believe it's as onerous a burden as might be...as