

and we don't have control over the Consumer Price Index but we do have control over how much is spent on aid to dependent children payments if we're going to adjust them annually. So I'm saying that that decision should be left to individuals who are involved in that system and those are the people who should be making those decisions, not some outside index and the Consumer Price Index that fluctuates sometimes very greatly from one year to the next. So I would like to strike Section 15 from the committee amendments and I would ask for the support of the body to do so. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Witek. Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Madam President, members, Senator Witek, if you would respond to a question, please.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Witek.

SENATOR WITEK: Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: I think that you said your concern would be the cost of this proposal. Is that true?

SENATOR WITEK: No, not necessarily, Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Didn't you say it was the financial impact it may have?

SENATOR WITEK: No, not necessarily, Senator Bohlke. More of my concern is that the control of this adjustment rate would be with individuals who are involved in the system, not with some arbitrary CPI index.

SENATOR BOHLKE: All right. But I did hear you say annually. Is that true?

SENATOR WITEK: Whether the body would want to adjust that annually or every two years, I understand is what the...every second year is...that language is not necessarily what I oppose of looking at this every two years but it's tying it to the index more is what I oppose.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Thank you. I wanted to clear up the fact that it is not annually, as was stated by Senator Witek, but it is every two years. And I also wanted to state that doing this,