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CLERK: Senator Hall would move to amend, again, AM1371 adopted earlier, on page 2, line 23, strike the word "the" and insert "If the biological mother is unable to name the biological father". (FA142 appears on page 1612 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President, and members, again, this is one of the...it's listed as...there's a 4 up in the left-hand corner of the amendment that you have that were stapled together for you. And what it would do is it says that if the...basically this is the section that deals with the physical description of the biological father. What it would add at the front of that paragraph, it would say that if the biological mother is unable to name the biological father, the physical description of the biological father and other information, and it allows for that to be included. The purpose for this, again, I addressed this with Senator Matzke on the floor the other day. If the mother were to check 5(b) and said, I am unwilling or unable, if I'm unwilling to identify the biological father by filling out line...item 6 in the affidavit, Senator Matzke, at the time, stated that he felt, well, there would be no need to do that. I can understand where if an individual is unwilling, there would be no reason to fill that out, but it would be if she was unable to identify and where the physical characteristics or description would still be possible and probably be pertinent that that be allowed. I think this allows for that what we talked about to take place. In other words, if there was an unwillingness on the part of the mother to identify the biological father, that would still continue and this amendment to subsection 6, of the affidavit would just say that if the biological mother is unable to name the biological father then the physical description on throughout that portion of the affidavit would then be filled out. With that, I would urge adoption of the amendment and, again, I would yield the balance of any time of the opening to Senator Matzke to respond.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Matzke, you have eight minutes.

SENATOR MATZKE: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature. Yes, Senator Hall and I discussed this previously. I've taken another look at it and I've taken a look at the