

SENATOR HALL: Okay, so using your O.J. Simpson analogy, they'll, depending on what the cost of the dream team is or isn't, we've got their services for a week or two. I mean, I don't...I guess my point is we really don't...

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.

SENATOR HALL: ...we really don't know what the cost is and we don't know, because the commission has the ability to establish those caseload standards, whether or not there's...there's not going to be additional claims made against the state to pay for services that we are going to allow through the standards that are set by the commission to determine.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: But, Senator, there is not language here that allows them for a deficit appropriation.

SENATOR HALL: But there's not language that prohibits it, Senator Kristensen.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Well, but...

SENATOR HALL: And that's my point exactly.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: But the law is that you have to have that to allow them to do a deficit.

SENATOR HALL: Well, but I don't read that in this proposal when we, at the same time, mandate certain requirements as a state to say these have to be done. I think there's a tremendous argument to say that not only the commission but the chief counsel, as established under Section 9 and 11 of this proposal, have no choice but to fulfill their responsibility as the Legislature dictates. And whether the money is appropriated or not...

SENATOR CROSBY: Time.

SENATOR HALL: ...is, I think, a moot issue.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Hall. Senator Hall, would you like to speak again?

SENATOR HALL: Sure. Thank you, Madam President, members. I