

Senator Witek was talking about, but that's not really why I turned on my light. I really want to ask Senator Day a few questions and I'd like to preface them by saying that I do support the concept of this bill. I think that we do have evidence that it is working in other states. But this particular amendment, Senator Day, I'm a little bit tentative on. And one of the reasons I am is because I think this is a more subjective area than the child support, I mean with child support we know when there's a cancelled check, when child support has been paid. With visitation we have two adults involved here who probably heartily dislike each other and it's going to depend upon what they tell the judge or the referee or whomever and the decision will be made on their stories, if you will, their testimony. And so it's...it makes me a little nervous. My question is, first of all, what other states are doing this portion of the bill? Are there other states that are doing the visitation portion? And if you'll answer that, then I guess I'll have some other questions.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Day.

SENATOR DAY: Thank you. Senator Schimek, to my knowledge there is no other state that is doing it this way. Other states are dealing with visitation problems in the way of mandatory mediation and having a third party where both individuals can go to. They're handling it in different manners than this. I think we're probably on the leading edge of tying this in with the nonpayment of child support.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Well, my next question was, because I presumed that there was...there were other states that may be doing this, my next question was going to be, you know, do we know how it's working? And are there qualitative differences in the relationships then between the visiting parent and the child and between the ex-spouses and those kinds of questions? I guess then at this point we have to imagine what the effects of this might be. And then I was going to ask if, in those other states by having the visitation under the bill, if there was a link then with the child support? And if there were, you know, if there was evidence that more child support was more willingly paid? So I don't know, I guess at this point I would just ask you if you have any further comments, if you would like to use the rest of my time.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Day.