

The bottom line is the policy decision, and there is no question, as Senator Beutler mentioned, that I can pick at reasons why DSS is not the proper agency to do...to do the child support. By the same token, I think this morning we heard some decisions about why DSS was not the proper department to do visitation. I guess I'm, obviously, what I'm doing is pointing out inconsistencies. Senator Beutler is absolutely correct, and yet we've gone along with that inconsistency and I suspect we will continue to go along with that, but I think we have to be aware of that. We are simply very willing to allow all this stuff to take place on the support side, and the only reason is because it is easy. It is easy. You take a look at the court records, which, of course, are accurate, we all know that; those accurate court records which will be used to determine the license revocation. We can make that determination without ever having to do anything except fill out a form. At least that is the approach that we are left with, or the impression we are left with. Visitation is more difficult. Yeah, there are subjective calls that are made in visitation. I believe there is a lot of subjective calls that are made on the support side. I think it is one that, would it be an IPP motion, or would it have the effect of indefinitely postponing the bill? Maybe, maybe not. It certainly would not put the bill in great shape, but we can, I guess, work out those details. The...yes, I am trying to make a point. I will concede that to Senator Beutler, and I am glad he has grasped that point, but I would throw it back to Senator Beutler to ask why we want to put into statute now or continue an inconsistency in statute,...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR LINDSAY: ...as to why this one department is able to handle one-half of those decisions that are made in a divorce case, but can't seem to handle the other half? Why is the department incapable of handling one but not the other? And I think that is something that we have to make that determination. I would point out that in the past, and I think we will see that a little bit later, that this Legislature has in the past determined that DSS is not the proper agency. At one point, we passed legislation saying that it ought to be the Attorney General's Office, rather than the Department of Social Services, that should have the responsibility. We made a repeal of that because the answer that we came up with was contracting it back to DSS because that seemed to be the easy way to do it. That's my objection is that we seem to be taking an easy way to do some