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SENATOR DIERKS: Okay, thank you.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Dierks. Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Madam President. Senator Chambers, if you would yield to a couple of questions, maybe just one question. If...I agree with your amendment, by the way, and I'll also be supporting the amendment. But if this amendment is agreed to, I'm trying to get an idea of, and maybe you don't want to lay some of your cards down, and I understand that. But I'm trying to get an idea where you might be going, what some of the cards might be because I still have some very strong concerns on the visitation side. And so when we take off this portion of it, which I agree with you does not...should not be there, you do not intend to just drop the visitation as far as an issue on 592 or are you saying that that is an issue that we need to discuss at some other time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'm saying, Senator Bernard-Stevens, that if the issue of visitation is going to be discussed at this time, we should get rid of this license revocation which clouds and clutters the issue without getting to the real matters at stake. So after this is stricken, then into clearer focus can come those kinds of points that Senator Lindsay is discussing, that Senator Bohlke has discussed, Senator Day and others. All I'm trying to do here is remove some of the underbrush so that we can see the plant that we really want to cultivate so that, Senator Schimek, we can bring forth a beautiful sweet-smelling flower in full bloom that will make everybody happy, but we've got to get rid of the weeds first so I'm just kind of weeding right now.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Yeah, bobbing and weaving maybe, then weeding. Senator Lindsay, if you would yield to a question as well.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: I would like for you, because as I was watching the body on your explanation of the referee, visibly you could see jaws drop because people in the body I think have this feeling that this referee was really going to be a big