

but it does insert a proposal in there. It just doesn't leave it blank, Senator Matzke. It does virtually everything that the proposal in 712 does. It has the notice provision. It has... it lists what the content of that notice has to be. It has the affidavit provision. It says that notice will be filed. It says that we don't go through the publication process and I guess I would argue with regard to the publication process that I'm not sure what effect we're trying to have there. I don't believe that the... although the notification basically allows, by publication, allows for another step to be followed, I don't know what effect that is going to have. I find it hard to believe that punitive fathers are going to look through the classifieds to see if their name is listed as a possible parent. I don't see that... that happening, but possibly that will. The issue of the Section 4 that Senator Matzke talks about in the original LB 712, the short-circuited system where the relinquishment would be signed by the biological father, but that could happen today. I mean there is nothing to prevent that from happening today and, in many cases, that's exactly how it would be handled. The due diligence issue that he raised with regard to the affidavit filed with the court, that is basically the attorney or the agency saying, hey, we did this in a... a due diligent manner, we filed the steps required. That is basically going to be boilerplate, if you will. I don't believe that the... an agency or an attorney will do anything but file that as another step in the process. I don't believe that... I believe they will follow the steps and then file it appropriately, but I don't understand where that affidavit that's filed somehow gives the court the assurance that there is no need down the road for the guardian ad litem to be appointed. I mean there's nothing there that says it is mandated. That's what Senator Matzke correctly stated. It does not mandate it, but I would argue that for purposes of solving the kinds of problems, the exact cases that are being raised and talked about with regard to the changes being made here today in one form or the other, whether it's this amendment or 712 as it exists, those same types of cases, I would argue, are going to be used by the court in their discretion to virtually require, unless there's a relinquishment as allowed now where the biological father signs off with regard to the adoption, that that will become just another step in the process, like the affidavit that will be filed. Now I could very well be wrong. I hope, if this amendment is not adopted, that I... that I am wrong, that it is not a standard practice that's put into place and I appreciate at a minimum having the intent, for what purposes...