

intended to be a more restrictive standard than is the existing standard, is that right?

SENATOR WESELY: I think definitive and definite would be, yeah, restrictive in terms of your range of options is lessened as a result of this, I think.

SENATOR LINDSAY: And the intent of this is not to allow an inflation of prices, but is rather as a downward pressure.

SENATOR WESELY: Yeah, the point is that, as you move along, the concerns that have been expressed about the bill is that you come along, you file a lien and you just increase your charges and increase the lien and this won't allow that. This will say if you've been charging people 1,000 dollars for this procedure that's what you're going to have to charge when the lien's filed, so....

SENATOR LINDSAY: And it's not intended to allow unreasonable charges

SENATOR WESELY: Absolutely.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Okay. Senator Matzke, same questions to you. That's your understanding of...

SENATOR MATZKE: Yes, you're cer...

SENATOR LINDSAY: ..(inaudible) your intent I should say.

SENATOR MATZKE: ..you're certainly right. This is not intended to allow unreasonable charges. It's intended to do just the opposite, as Senator Wesely says, to make them definite and legitimate.

SENATOR LINDSAY: With that understanding, I will support the amendment.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Lindsay. Any further discussion on the Matzke amendment? Seeing none, Senator Matzke, would you like to close?

SENATOR MATZKE: I think we've had a full and adequate discussion of this. I would ask the members to advance or adopt this amendment.