

wanted to bring out is that in the cases that Foster Care Review also looked at, they agreed, fully agreed with 70 percent of those, 70 percent. It's not like every child that's placed out of the home that DSS creates the plan for and reviewed, that they're doing everything wrong. Seventy percent of what the Foster Care Review Board reviewed they agreed with. In some instances there were some things they had questions and there were some big things, maybe some smaller that they would bring to the attention of DSS. They were also set up as an advocacy agency, that they advocated for children. That sometimes puts you in a very, very difficult position when you see things that you want to do, that you want to change but in advocating for them you can't actually make that change or initiate that change, you actually can't do it. And I can understand their frustration. Some of the things they wanted to get changed, they have come to us as legislators, individual, collectively, and I think there has been legislation introduced on behalf of some of the concerns that they have, some of those have been passed, some of them have been not. I wish you would keep in mind that 70 percent of the cases that the Foster Care Review Board did a random review on they agreed with. The other concern I have as an Appropriations Committee member is being able to follow the funding streams. This isn't the only agency I have difficulty following. And I try very hard to figure out what most of them are. But one of them, several things I wish you would keep in mind, Senator Avery, perhaps on your time you could help me. In DSS right now there are what I think is eleven and a half people that ten of those, depending upon what Senator Hall's amendment here, and I'm not sure what I'm going to do with Senator Hall's amendment because I don't know if they could do it with eight, I don't know if they need the full ten where we would be. But right now the original amendment says ten, which would leave one and a half of those employees in DSS. Now the bill also says that there would be a random survey done by DSS. My question is, will DSS have to do that with one and a half personnel which currently takes twelve people in the Foster Care Review Board to do a random review?

**SPEAKER WITHEM:** One minute.

**SENATOR HILLMAN:** Where will the additional employees come from? The caseworkers are another one, they're saying that the caseworkers will be involved. As you're aware, the big objection of DSS on caseworkers is that they cannot work in their regular hours eight to five because Foster Care Review