

bill. So with that, I would very much support the amendment and be happy to answer any questions. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Wesely. Senator Schrock, do you wish to speak again? Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President and members of the Legislature, I would like to ask Senator Day a question.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Day.

SENATOR DAY: Certainly.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Day, on page 16, you reinstate the language in lines 21 to 23 and this language obviously is the Christian Science language you're referring to?

SENATOR DAY: Yes, it is.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Tell me the significance of that, because it follows the statement above which says, the Nurse Practice Act confers no authority to practice medicine or surgery. The act does not prohibit, then this language, gratuitous nursing with or without compensation or personal profit when done in connection with the practice of the religious tenets of any church by adherence thereof. Does this authorize people who are not nurses to function as nurses in this context?

SENATOR DAY: I don't believe so, Senator Chambers. The concern from the Christian Scientists was they do have home nursing that go in and help individuals with their care in their home and they were afraid that this would affect that if we pull that out.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Does...what...what are they allowed to do with this language in place?

SENATOR DAY: My understanding is they're allowed to do...to give baths, to give back rubs, to help the individuals be more comfortable, but under their...they do call them home nurses.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Cannot somebody who is not a nurse do this anyway? Do you have to be a nurse to do this? It has to be something more than just giving a bath because the term is gratuitous nursing. So does the term nursing in this provision