

the floor.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Now with the language that your amendment has, the amount, no matter what this market survey indicated, could be reduced under the language of your amendment, couldn't it?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Could you repeat the first part, I'm sorry.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I think I understood but I want to be sure.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. I'll ask it a different way. Regardless of what this market survey established in terms of the cost of this type of care, under your amendment that survey can be totally disregarded. The results of that survey can be totally disregarded. Isn't that true?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: To the extent of one's conscience, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And I'm not even talking about conscience now, but just the meaning of the language.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So this language about a survey could be stricken for all intents and purposes and you could just say a determination shall be made of how much will be allowed for this reimbursement and we don't even have to have a survey, do we?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Well technically, that's true but...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, and that's all I'm dealing with now so that it won't become complex as I get into another aspect of it. Now, your language is what I'm coming to. We have the survey and whatever the results are, your language does not require any attention to be paid to that survey and under your language if the rate of reimbursement prior to that survey had been 60 percent, it can be reduced to 10 percent, can't it?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.