

expensive, quite a bit less expensive than the care that the kids have within the schools in before and after school care, where they're paying...they're paying help there, they're probably paying for more benefits there, they're paying for more expensive programming there, it's a more expensive prospect, it's done through the schools and it costs more per hour. So there is a disparity there in child care costs. But as in the child care itself she receives excellent care, in my opinion, in both places. And what we've done with some of the changes to the welfare bill that I had opposed was to tie the cost of how much the state would reimburse child care expenses to the consumer price index. And what Senator Wehrbein has tried to do was say that it wouldn't be anymore than 75 percent of the going rate, or whatever that survey cost came to be, because you could get some very expensive child care if you wanted to, if that's what you wanted to pay for and you wanted to have more than just child care, you wanted to do some type of preschool within that child care, and it could get very expensive. So you're mixing, in that survey, those types of child care with the child care that your child is just going to a neighbors and they're caring for your child along with their children. So there's a real range in child care expenses out there as it is. So I saw no reason not to vote for Senator Wehrbein's amendment. Now to come in with Senator Wesely's amendment, I see absolutely no reason to have Senator Wesely's amendment. We've already said that we'll go up to 75 percent, so it's anything under 75 percent will be reimbursed, so that includes the 60 percent for Senator Wesely. What are we going to tell someone if they say, my child care is only 50 percent of the going rate, we're going to say, sorry, if you want the state to reimburse you we're going to have to pay you 60 percent, so you're going to have to take this money from the state. Is that what you're proposing here with your floor of 60 percent? I don't quite understand why we're putting a floor in here. I understand why we're putting a ceiling in, but I don't understand why we need a floor in here for reimbursements by the state. And another thing I just want to say on the child care issue, while we're on it, is you know there are still families out there who sisters will watch they're kids, or grandmothers will watch their kids for free, believe it or not. While you're at home, or for the cost of food, or even for free in some of these cases, and it's called like family. And then friends out there, sometimes they even baby-sit for each other for free, they do child care because I'll baby-sit for your kids while I'm going to a class at school, and you can watch my kids while I'm going to a class