

in which nurse practitioners could operate. As of now, there is language that brings about an agreement in three of those four areas. There is language setting up a state advanced registered nurse practitioner board. I believe both sides have agreed that the language as it relates to education contained within the committee amendments is acceptable. The by-pass arrangement is one whereby if a nurse practitioner cannot get a physician for some extraordinary circumstances to sign a cooperative agreement that he or she would be able to go to the state board to get approval. That is acceptable with some reservations I think, but is acceptable. Where we run into a problem, we still run into that problem today, is the degree of independence or on the other side supervision that the nurse practitioner would receive from the practicing physician with whom she has the agreement. What Senator Wesely I think are going to suggest that we do is that we adopt the committee amendments. They make the bill much, much better than it was before, that we then proceed to consideration of AM2750; and I do not know, it looks like it's on at least Senator Schimek's desk and Senator Kristensen and if Pages would share it with them, they'd probably share it with anybody so that's on the desk here, proceed to a discussion of that amendment. At that time, Senator Wesely and I will offer an amendment to 2750 where this definition of supervision appears. What you'll have in Amendment 2750 will be the doctor's version of definition of supervision, shall mean the ready availability of the collaborating physician for consultation and direction of the activities. Senator Wesely and I will offer an amendment at that time to strike the words "direction of" and insert the words "advice on." Hopefully that will then resolve the remaining difficulties that at least exists between the warring parties outside and at least then we'll have it inside the body where we can then make determinations on the rest of the language. But at this time, I will be supporting the Wesely amendment, urging you to do so, then urging you to adopt the Wesely amendments and then I think there's a couple of other pieces of business up there that I don't know if we'll have to address those or not. But the next thing I'm vitally concerned with at this time is this Amendment 2750 because it represents I think a very close to an acceptance. At least it narrows the differences between the two warring parties down to two different words so I think they have moved a long way and I commend those individuals. It's interesting as we have this discussion when you talk about it on the philosophical plane and how you would actually like to see