

support is paid to the custodial parent and that custodial parent may have another spouse, and so many times that money that the noncustodial parent is paying goes to the custodial parent's new spouse to help pay his child support. This happens quite often, and no one seems to be addressing this. I think that we need to take a good look at where the child support money is going, whether this has to be done through the courts, or if some way we can address that situation. We seem to be forgetting about those kids, and that is what the child support is actually for is the kids, not the custodial parents new husband and his siblings. I just can't...I think we need to address this situation a little more, and I'm interested in seeing how the bill progresses in the next hour and a half or two hours, whatever we have left. I'd like very much to support this bill, and hopefully I can. Thank you, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator. Senator Witek.

SENATOR WITEK: Thank you very much. I don't want anybody to think that Senator Beutler's amendment is a compromise of any kind. We are still dealing with the two different approaches to this problem. We all can agree that there is something that we'd like to do about the collection of child support. I think that's really about as far as our agreement goes. And, Senator Janssen, the CDL is their drivers license. You pull the CDL, they don't go to work, they don't go to work. And if a judge is in a position, as in my amendment, to say we understand this is your working, professional license, we don't want to take it because nobody is going to get paid if you're not working, that makes sense. It does not make sense to have that individual lost in a bureaucracy. Look at this fiscal note, people. We're hiring a child support worker, a staff assistant, an attorney, a stenographer, and benefits for all of the above, at the cost of \$211,000 a year. We're having a one-time cost of \$27,000 to change computer systems. That means probably computer systems just here at the state. That doesn't affect the county computer systems. It says that it's estimated that three referees will be needed to handle multiple jurisdiction. We are telling, we are mandating to Douglas and Lancaster County that each of those counties will have need for an additional referee at an estimated cost to the county of approximately \$42,000 a year. Now you think you have property tax problems, we also have them in Douglas and Lancaster County. And now you're sending down another mandate from the state telling us we have to go hire