

side is paying some of the costs, at least a portion. The question is whether they are paying it all or a portion, okay?

SENATOR HUDKINS: Right.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. Now we have in the middle this category of people who are not criminals, nor is it civil, but they are being...they are awaiting trial and the judge says that they are not competent to stand trial, so...

SENATOR HUDKINS: If it is not civil, and it is not criminal, what else is it?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, it is this category we are dealing with here.

SENATOR HUDKINS: What we are dealing with...

SENATOR BEUTLER: And that's...and therein lies the problem in part, right, subsequently.

SENATOR HUDKINS: What we are dealing with are the criminal part of it.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, they are not criminals yet.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Well, all right because they have not stood trial, the accused, the accused individual. He, if...if the judge or whomever thinks that this person may not be competent to stand trial, they will be sent to the Regional Center for an evaluation. After that examination is finished,...

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.

SENATOR HUDKINS: ...if the report is that, yes, indeed, this individual is competent to stand trial, he goes to trial.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Right.

SENATOR HUDKINS: And if he is not, or she, if they are found not competent to stand trial, then they stay at the Regional Center until such time as they are found competent.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay, let me ask you to ponder this question,