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affiliation a little bit, make sure that there's a cross...a broad section of that to make sure, and maybe that would be something that we could add in there. In another part of this bill, it states, just kind of recalling, can't find the section right off, in terms of those bodies that will be recognized as individuals on community-based services, is there a process that they'll be recognizing certain entities that like OJS or community service boards? I don't know, it seems that the language said that they will be recognized...

SENATOR WESELY: Oh, okay, to work with us on community-based services?

SENATOR AVERY: Right.

SENATOR WESELY: I will tell you what, that's pretty fluid too, the idea being that each community will have a different set of groups that may want to work together, and so this...actually, if you don't mind, it's your time.

SENATOR AVERY: Go ahead. Yeah.

SENATOR WESELY: But all I wanted to tell you is that one of the thoughts is not only bring the state agencies together but helping the communities to come together. That's one of the goals. By having our act together at the state level, instead of having aging and the community services over there, and the juvenile services over there, now they're, hopefully, going to be brought together and a community can together join hands, and whether it's the churches and some private groups along with some public services, or how it gets aligned, it will depend on each community. But the idea is to empower communities to get their act together because we've got our act together and we can work with them.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR AVERY: Okay, thank you. But is there going to be a specific individual or will the council recognize which community service organizations?

SENATOR WESELY: We'll...I think...

SENATOR AVERY: Or will everybody be recognized, and I guess who