

in creating that kind of a situation with the framework that you envision?

SENATOR WILL: Would either Senator Beutler or Senator Warner respond? Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: I apologize, Joyce. I was....

SENATOR HILLMAN: (Laugh)

SENATOR WARNER: Could you ask the question again briefly?

SENATOR HILLMAN: To make the question maybe a little bit shorter is that, considering the sensitivity that you have with the parties that are going to be involved in looking at a consensus, is what you're going to be looking for in some of these cases and a problem-solving situation, without some type of a facilitator to kind of neutralize the big guys from the little guys and to take out some of the, what I'm going to say is going to be, an intimidation in the process? Because some parties that will sit down to talk may not feel that they have perhaps the input and nor the skills to be able to participate. Normally in a problem-solving setting, you have some type of a facilitator to bring those parties together, to keep your on focuses--where it is you want to go. And, in looking at the structure, is there any way that we could look at suggesting to either local government or is there anything that we could provide to be able to facilitate those kinds of discussions?

SENATOR WARNER: I'm sorry I was talking, Senator Hillman. The...no, there is nothing contained in the legislation as such at this point for such a position. I don't know if Senator Beutler had envisioned that in this concept or not and I think he's redrafting the amendment so...but I...it's...I guess it's a concept that could be looked at. It raises questions of funding and a number of other things that I'm not sure at this point how we could arrive at it. Yeah. As Senator Wickersham reminded me, obviously, there's not a prohibition. If a group got together wishing to do that, they certainly could do that. I think it's an excellent suggestion. I'm not...I would...maybe somewhere we can put in a suggestion at least that that kind of a concept be considered. I doubt that we should mandate it, although I'm sure you're probably correct that that would assist a lot in working out a lot of these details.