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SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Debate on the substitute amendment?
Senator Tyson.

SENATOR TYSON: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to have a dialogue with Senator Thompson, if I may.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Thompson, would you respond to Senator Tyson's question?

SENATOR THOMPSON: Yes, Senator Tyson.

SENATOR TYSON: Senator Thompson, if you will look on what is now AM1261, the amendment which strikes language in Section 43-284, and I might inform the body that this is subject matter that I have spoken off the floor with Senator Thompson. Senator Thompson, direct your attention to line 10, 11, and 12, and further to 13, 14, 15, 16, and a portion of 17, in other words, the stricken language.

SENATOR THOMPSON: Um-hum.

SENATOR TYSON: Now, if you look at (1), 43-284 says when a juvenile is adjudged to be under subdivision (3) or (4) of Section 43-247, the court may permit such juvenile to remain in his or her own home subject to supervision or may make an order committing the juvenile (1) the...I'm now reading the stricken language, "the care of some suitable institution, (2) inpatient or outpatient treatment at a mental health facility or mental health program." Now just taking that, in the current statute also, and now we're down at lines 18 and 19, "the care and custody of the Department of Health and Human Services." I read and I have been in...and I have been advised that the striking of that language in lines 10, 11, and 12 removes the power of an attorney for the child going to the judge and asking for psychiatric or psychological treatment, in other words an order by the court. Now we're not getting into, at this point, who's paying for it. I'm just saying that's what I've been told that that language means. If you have, say, a guardian ad litem who feels that their...the child, the minor child in their custody, requires psychiatric care, it's no longer something that the judge can order; it is something that can only be done through Health and Human Services. Is that correct?