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joint custody, 90 percent of the time, is not going to work. The parenting plan, the parenting plan is a great idea. It's another one of those desserts that sounds great. But can you imagine setting out a road map for yourself and say, here's how I'm going to live my life for the next 15 years? You know that doesn't work. And why? Because circumstances change, your life changes, your kid's life changes. That parenting document has got to be a living, breathing document that changes. But that, right now under the current system, the only way the parenting plan changes is if you go back to court and modify it and modify a legal order. That is cumbersome, it doesn't work, it's a waste of time and money. We need a system, and that system...there's courts out here with models that we can use to make that a better system. I would suggest that we look, and if we legislatively want to do something with joint custody, that you put more of that discretion back into the courts, remove the requirement for them both to agree, and then there is more opportunity for that to occur. If you want to encourage more joint custody, then you've removed a legal impediment, but I don't think you've upset the applecart to do so. The other point that I want to make that I think is important is when they talk about joint custody being a wedge for child support. There's only one way that that works, and that's if you have a division of physical custody. Because when you calculate child support, when you have a joint custody situation, you calculate the number of days that the child is with one parent versus the days with the other, and that's how you divide child support. So just because you get joint custody doesn't mean your child support goes down, only if you divide physical days...

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: One minute.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: ...is child support altered. And so what happens is if you want to...if you really want to reduce child support through joint custody, you negotiate for more days. And most of the time they say, well we'll just agree that we'll do it 50-50, because that way we don't have to actually all answer those questions, and we'll work out visitation. It doesn't work. It never works. They invariably are back for modifications; it becomes expensive. One side can't afford to hire a lawyer to go back for modification. I just don't understand the desire to want to build into the system having to