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also adopted that. I'm uncomfortable with the chance that you will have a volunteer who will be able to call witnesses. If there is a disagreement and they are a co-guardian ad litem and there's a potential for an appeal to the Court of Appeals, the guardian ad litem can do that, but if you have co-guardian ad litem and one of them is a volunteer, who...who controls? What happens if one of the guardian ad litem says, I think we should appeal, and the other says no? How does...who resolves that dispute? The other is that if they are calling witnesses it may look easy to do, particularly in the drama days on TV, to call witnesses, cross-examine or to present evidence in case, but it is not and it does require some skill, some training. The CASAs, as I envision them, can be very, very helpful. They can be friends of the court. The judge can save money by having the CASAs go out, make visits, to do things that you would not want to pay lawyers to do because you, one, wouldn't want to afford it and, two, quite frankly, I don't know that lawyers would do some of that stuff.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: It's stuff that requires somebody who cares about the children to go do that. On a...on a volunteer basis, I think they can do it and Senator Suttle has in here that they can do it as a friend of the court. I think that's a good process. I'm uncomfortable with them being co-guardian ad litem. It removes the objections I would have to the bill and so I think that's the reason that we signed onto that; I think there's Senator Wickersham, Senator Matzke, Senator Pederson and I. I realize that that was not the agreement, Senator Suttle, of the bar and I don't...and maybe that makes a difference to the body. I'm telling you from my point of view why I'm doing what I'm doing and I would suggest to do this the Suttle amendment would have to be adopted and then there would be an amendment to the committee amendments reflecting what Senator Suttle's amendment is doing. I will vote for the Suttle amendment in this form and then offer that amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. We are debating the Suttle amendment, AM2915, to the committee amendments. Those wishing to speak, Senators Thompson, Dierks,