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amendments I was drafting until Senator Wickersham came up to me was that they couldn't call witnesses, couldn't introduce. I was going to do it more piecemeal.

SENATOR SUTTLE: Um-hum.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Wickersham's suggestion solved the problems that I had and probably had a broader solution to it and, thus, was more attractive to me. That's the reason I signed onto the amendment at that time, for that purpose.

SENATOR SUTTLE: Okay. Senator Wickersham, may I ask you a question?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Yes.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Wickersham, would you respond?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Yes.

SENATOR SUTTLE: With the...with Senator Kristensen's amendment, would you be willing to, at that time, allow the bill to...or the amendment to be voted on and passed or at least to see what the body feels at that point?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Senator Suttle, I think I said in my remarks that if the Kristensen amendment was adopted I wouldn't speak further on the bill.

SENATOR SUTTLE: Oh, I did not hear you say that. Thank you very much, sir. Sorry, sir, I wasn't paying attention. I was running up and down the aisles trying to find some solution to this. This is General File. I would appreciate it if you would support the CASA so that abused and neglected children could have somebody advocate for them. That's the only purpose for me bringing this bill, not procedural court hearings or anything like that. I would just...I'd like to have the kids looked out after and that's the only reason I'm bringing this bill. Appreciate your support for the amendment. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Suttle. Senator Dierks.