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have a need for occupational therapy or feel we could approach the occupational therapist directly without having that referral in the process, and that seemed to be agreed upon on the part of all of the people within the medical profession and others on the 407 committee. They felt that was appropriate.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay, so it wasn't intended that any regulator or anybody would have the ability to deny that access?

SENATOR BYARS: No.

SENATOR BEUTLER: So would you have any objection if it said the public shall have direct access to it?

SENATOR BYARS: I would have to check with the occupational therapists, Senator, and if you'd give me a couple of minutes I can do that while debate is proceeding on the bill.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Sure, you bet. Thank you, Senator.

SENATOR BYARS: Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute. Are you completed, Senator Beutler?

SENATOR BEUTLER: I am finished. Thank you, Senator Cudaback.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, we're a long way from Christmas, yet we have an attempted Christmas tree today. I had told Senator Cunningham that I was opposed to what he was trying to do, letting these pharmacy technicians do what that bill would authorize them to do. Nevertheless, they want to encumber Senator Stuhr's bill. So if that's what they're going to do, then we'll just battle it, but I'm going to oppose attaching it. And if this amendment is attached, I'm going to oppose her bill. Now with all of the bills that come out of the Health and Human Services Committee, or whatever they're called, they can find another bill, one that is closer to what they're talking about. That doesn't mean I