right thing for mental health in this state. And I ask my colleagues to stand with me for people with mental illness in this state, stand with me for the people that are behind these words, stand with me for a decent life for all of them. Thank you very much, colleagues. And Mr. President, I yield my time back to the Chair.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Senator Byars. Senator Tyson.

SENATOR TYSON: Thank you, Mr. President. When my time ran out, we were talking about LB 1354. And I thought that I would amuse the body by reading the law that resulted from LB 1354 back in 1998. On or after July 1, 1998, and at such time as the utilization of available community-based services, including the development and use of state-operated community-level services by the Department of Health and Human Services where such services would not otherwise be provided, has sufficiently reduced the demand for regional center services to the point that the services may be offered at a reduced level, the Department of Health and Human Services, before reducing such services, shall issue a report to the Governor, the Clerk of the Legislature, the Chairperson of the Appropriations Committee, and the Chairperson of the Health and Human Services Committee of the Legislature. The report shall identify--it shall identify--the community services involved--that means they actually have to be there--and certify that such services possess sufficient capacity and capability to effectively replace the service needs that otherwise would have been provided at a regional center. The report will be issued no later than 30 days prior to any action taken to reduce any regional service center. That bill was the bill sponsored by Senator Don Wesely, who at that time was Chairman of Health and Human Services. There were three cosponsors. It was Senator Schimek, it was Senator Bohlke, and myself. Now 1998, which is now, of course, back in the veil of history, was a budget surplus year. What did we do to identify community services and fund them? Nada. Gornish. Nothing. Nix. The thing of it is that people overlook something. It's a shame that Senator Byars was not at the Health and Human Services Committee hearing. This is the transcript, and I've read it. The people that appeared in opposition to LB 1083 all said that you have to have