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the scrutiny that that would involve. So if Senator Mossey would yield, I just want to talk for a minute or two about my understanding of the bill, and make sure I've got it right before I decide how I will vote on the bill.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Mossey, would you respond?

SENATOR MOSSEY: Yes.

SENATOR FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Mossey. I think we established the other day that your intent in crafting the language of LB 850, which is now incorporated into LB 613, does not contemplate domestic assault in the case of traditional family relationships. For example, a father-son relationship, brother-brother, or brother-sister, mother-son, that kind of situation. Is that correct, Senator Mossey?

SENATOR MOSSEY: Yes.

SENATOR FOLEY: Okay. And that concerns me. Because I think we should recognize those kinds of situations as potential areas for domestic assault, so I have some concerns there. But let me just throw out a hypothetical. Suppose we have a father-son situation. Both are adult men, living together, sharing expenses in a home. And suppose that on most days their relationship is very affectional, in a natural way, father toward son, son toward the father. They have great affection for each other. And in fact, they have a standing date to play golf, every Saturday, weather permitting. Why would that relationship not fall within the parameters of your bill, given the language of your bill?

SENATOR MOSSEY: One, a relationship requires the giving of affection with the anticipation of receiving affection in return. And that...whether that be through a sexual relationship or a dating relationship, kissing--I don't know if the father and son kiss on the lips all the time, that's common--but it would require some...

SENATOR FOLEY: But let...