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going to be of as much concern to you? I'm going to be a watchman when it comes to the interests of people who have no representation other than mine on this floor. Mr. President, I'm going to withdraw that proposed amendment.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: It is withdrawn. Thank you, Senator Chambers. We'll now return to discussion of LB 89 itself. No lights are on. We'll recognize Senator Byars to close.

SENATOR BYARS: Thank you, Governor Sheehy, and welcome to the Unicameral Legislature. Senator Chambers, thank you for your challenges, and for the dialogue and discussion that we have had. I appreciate your concern. And certainly, as we...and I have had in side conversations, I think we've come close to agreeing to some language that will satisfy your needs and will still help us to move LB 89 to Final Reading and to signature by the Governor, and provide services to persons who truly need them, and those services provided by people who truly want to give them in all honorable ways. As I work in public health, and as with Senator Jensen and with other members of the Health Committee, that we've worked so hard to build a public health infrastructure, and we've worked, Senator Chambers, with the Office of Minority Health and with those individuals and minorities who so truly and badly need public health services, one thing that strikes me in this conversation about oral health is the tremendous effect that inadequate oral health has on moms who are pregnant, and what happens in giving birth to low-birth-weight babies because of inadequate oral health. A lot of people don't realize that, the adequate nutrition that young children need from the womb on, proper nutrition, that they can't have if their oral health is neglected, if it's not taken care of, and they can't chew, they hurt. And it is so, so important that we allow this project to go forward. And as I think of...as we talked about the term, the meaning of the word "mercy" and the "mission of mercy," I truly think, as we look at low-birth-weight babies, we look at proper nutrition in kids, we look at ability of adults who are less than effective in the workplace because they're hurting because they have inadequate oral healthcare, I think this is legislation that is so important to us to adopt in this state. And again, I wanted to thank Senator Chambers. I also want to thank Senator Thompson,