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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Aguilar, does the bill say that HHS "shall" adopt rules and regulations, or "may"?

SENATOR AGUILAR: I'll have to look that up, Senator Chambers. I don't honestly know.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. But there's nothing in this bill that indicates that their rules and regulations must address the types of matters we're discussing here; is that correct?

SENATOR AGUILAR: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Some of these things could be put into the bill, though, if they're important enough, couldn't they?

SENATOR AGUILAR: I would agree.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you feel that this amendment that you have pending, AM2704, is essential to your bill, which deals with this idea of restitution?

SENATOR AGUILAR: No, it is not.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So would you be willing to withdraw it after there has been discussion, and then we can address the bill itself?

SENATOR AGUILAR: Yes, I would.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And what I would be willing to do, Senator Aguilar, because you've always been accommodating, is hold off any amendments that I have in mind and I'll discuss them with you before the bill even comes up on Select File. And if we agree with some of them, then I'd put them all in one amendment and go from there.

SENATOR AGUILAR: Sounds like a great plan, sir.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Then I would yield whatever time I have remaining to Senator Aguilar.