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LB 429

and I don't...this is not meant to take up time, this is meant because I...as the chief sponsor of LB 429, I would like to get your interest in this and so I'm clear and so this Legislature is clear about what the true intent of what we are doing here with 429 is.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Moore.

SENATOR MOORE: I yield to a question.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Senator Moore. In terms of what we are doing now that the Kristensen amendment has been defeated, the committee amendments are on, we have focused on education. Is it fair to say that you believe that there is adequate education for them to make diagnosis and use these oral medications and the topical medications that you propose to do in the bill, is that true?

SENATOR MOORE: Yes, I base my decision not on what my friends in optometry feel, told me, on what 407 Review Committee and the State Board of Health say...

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: And that's...

SENATOR MOORE: ...is what I base my decision on because I do not feel qualified to make that decision.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: And you are comfortable that they have that sufficient education?

SENATOR MOORE: I don't know what sufficient is. I can only answer it as I've answered it.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: But it is true that for 429 to pass, you think that they have adequate education? I mean I don't...that's not your question, I just think that's...

SENATOR MOORE: The answer to your question is yes.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Yes, okay.

SENATOR MOORE: And I told you what I based it on.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: And then let's go further, you feel that they also have sufficient training to do these sorts of...I