

the bill clearly states a philosophy, I believe.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So why don't we just strike this because there's no other portion that I've been able to detect in the bill where you're laying out operative language, establishing obligations and consequences where you put intent language of this kind. There are provisions where lengthy statements of intent are given. But why, is this supposed to soften it so it doesn't look so bad about what it's doing? Or was there any specific thought given as to why this language was added?

SENATOR BOHLKE: I think in the...remember, in the student discipline bill when we wanted to have set up who would be present at the meeting and you wanted more specifically guidelines, I think this just says who will be involved in that communication to make sure that the child is in school.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But we require the depart...the schools to set up guidelines. We require that. And there are a lot more specific things in that bill than there would be in this one because it dealt with one topic. This deals across the board with all types of things and, as a result, they intermix things that probably shouldn't be. Why does this have to be in this part? I just want a stark statement by the Legislature and the people who support this. This language is not necessary. If it's not carried out, there is nothing that can result in the way of a sanction because it's not required. We put intent language in all kinds of bills and that is not even considered operative statutory language. It's not enforceable. It doesn't impose duties or responsibilities and it carries no consequences. This carries no consequence. Does it? Senator Bohlke, yes, I didn't want you to just stand there, I'm sorry.

SENATOR BOHLKE: No, I don't think it carries a consequence. And I'll speak later, not on your time, as to why, but...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Members of the Legislature, over the weekend I read this language. I put that time into it and the effort. Others may not have. But I'm going to fight this bill, the provisions of it, with which I disagree, because I did read it and I do see additional problems. And if the Legislature wants to quickly get through it, that can be cast out the window because that is not going to happen. I was trying to figure a way, but it's going to be done without my assistance, other than the fact that I won't object to it, to allow Senators Wesely and