

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Rasmussen.

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I'm going to rise in support of this amendment. As I indicated this morning, it was my understanding that this word was put in, and I've got to be careful here, I don't want to say that the advocates that have been advocating on many of the things that we're talking about are the advocates that advocated for this word "values" to be included, but I know it was part of the very early discussion. And the whole concept there was to say that, as we look at the resources and assets of people, values do play into their priority system and that they should be considered as we work through the process of determining how the plan should be developed for the recipient. However, I also realize that it is a word that sort of sends up red flags. It's not well defined. It's difficult for people to deal with. I would not want it to be used as a means of measuring people's values or passing judgment on those values and so, at the risk of possibly any of those kinds of things happening or a misinterpretation of the original purpose of the word "values," I would suggest that we go ahead and remove this word and support Senator Chambers on this amendment.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Rasmussen. Any further debate? Senator Chambers, you may close.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker, the only reason I'm going to close is to indicate that if the votes are not up there fairly quickly, I'm going to ask for a call of the house so that none of my amendments, nor my presentation, will delay us at this point while we have collegiality.

SPEAKER WITHEM: You've heard the closing. The question is the adoption of the Chambers amendment. All in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Chambers' amendment to the Wesely amendment.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The Chambers amendment is adopted. Further amendments to the Wesely amendment?

CLERK: I have nothing at this time, Mr. President.