

is this sort of conundrum. Does the availability of remedy create conflict, enhance conflict, encourage conflict? And here I would say, no, I don't think so. I think people will take the time away from work, will take the time away from their lives to seek remedy when they feel aggrieved. I think the sense of being aggrieved will precede the existence of the remedy. What I think happens now is that they have that preexisting sense of aggrieve...of being aggrieved and they do a cost analysis that says even though I feel aggrieved I can't pursue justice because justice is too expensive and, as a lawyer, I hope that rankles you, it certainly rankles me.

SENATOR BEUTLER: The provision with regard to the...to the payment of costs is of interest to me generally, I guess because I'm...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...generally of the...of the opinion where you're providing a service, a government service to someone and it's a service unlike a court service in the sense that the court...if you go to the courts, some resolution is required. Here no resolution is required so you may provide the service and it may be that there will be no result, although, hopefully, there will be results. Do you, instead of just saying that the center may require each party to pay a fee, based upon ability to pay, would you have objection to something that was more definite in that regard? I mean, Senator Withem would like to have his businessmen come in and resolve their disputes in this process. Some of his businessmen may be, indeed, short in terms of ability to pay but they also may be well able to pay. And they use this instead of having their two lawyers discuss and mediate. You know, what lawyers do before they...

SPEAKER BAACK: Time.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...try cases is mediate. Would you want Senator Withem's businessmen, well-heeled businessmen, coming in here and using this process without a fee?

SPEAKER BAACK: We will now go to Senator Wickersham.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Just briefly, I'm sure it isn't Senator Landis' intent to have this bill talked to death. It seems to me that everyone who has spoken is in favor