

that it was certainly unusual that a fellow would tie his hands to a bicycle handlebars and ride into a sand pit. I can understand how he tied one hand, but how did he tie the other one. You know it didn't leave too many hands left to tie the second hand. But do you know what happened? Nothing as far as I know. The County Attorney as of this date has not asked for a pathologist, didn't ask for one when they found him. It was ruled a suicide and I thought to myself at the time, that is kind of funny, and I was waiting for him to call for an autopsy. None was ever called for. As far I know none was never done. The man has been buried and it has been ruled a suicide. So what has been happening is county attorneys themselves are not using the facilities available, namely pathologists. We have pathologists in Scottsbluff, North Platte, Kearney, Omaha, Lincoln, I believe Norfolk, most of the cities strung across the state and it shouldn't be very difficult to get a pathologist if a county attorney wants to get one. Now the county attorneys are saying to us, we need a law whereby we have to use a pathologist. I guess that is what they are saying. Furthermore we want forensic pathologist so it will help prove our case one way or the other. In my opinion I do think that we need some kind of a law to make county attorneys to use pathologist when there is an unusual situation but they don't do it. For the most part the situations that were brought to us in LR 154 committee were where pathologists hadn't even been used. So I think the county attorneys themselves could solve their problem if they would, but I think they would rather not have themselves be responsible but would like to have us set up another strata of pathologists and forensic pathologists whereby they would be relieved of the responsibility of making a decision whether there was an unusual death or it was a natural death. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Chair recognizes Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY: Well I enjoy watching Quincy as much as anybody, but I don't know if we have pathologists enough to go around in Nebraska and if we do I don't think that they will be able to find an oriental assistant. The problem of course is that everybody would like to, as Senator Nichol indicated, divert the responsibility for some of these things to somebody else. If I don't have a responsibility I can hardly fail. I concur that further training of our county attorneys and our other law enforcement officers may be indicated by some of the things that happened. We are presently funding an academy for that purpose and I would recommend that we use it before we create a new one. Specifically I have a couple of questions if I may Senator DeCamp, before I vote against this bill. Subsection 3 of Section 5 says that there will be policies and procedures set up by the advisory board. Subsection 7 says that there will