

have drawn my line. I think that a reasonable study can be done for that, performed for that amount of money and if we are going to spend more than that then I think the study may be of questionable value. I am willing to spend \$50,000 but not a good deal more. If that is not adopted then I will oppose the bill on Final Reading. At this point in time though I believe that the study is worth the effort and will support...will oppose the kill motion and will support the advancement of the bill.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I too would hope that Senator Rex Haberman would withdraw his kill motion. I believe that studies and their results are tools to help the Legislature make informed decisions. We need all the tools available to us to continue to try to make the best informed decisions possible. LB 35 is a mechanism which will give us a new and better tool. I strongly support LB 35 and I would urge Senator Haberman to consider withdrawing his kill motion. He certainly has the right to vote against the advancement of this bill if he chooses to do so but I also would hope that with further understanding he would be one who would support it since he is a supporter of children and their needs. We need all the voices to support persons who need our help in this state.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Johnson.

SENATOR JOHNSON: Mr. President, members of the body, I do want to speak to a couple of points that both Senators Haberman and Lamb have raised. Senator Haberman indicated that this body's adoption of my amendment this morning, with this body only seeing the amendment this morning, placed him in a somewhat bad position. He was not able to vote as intelligently on a measure as he would like. I do want to point out that I circulated yesterday a packet, the LB 35 packet, and in that packet, the first thing up was the bill with all the amendments in it including the one that was adopted this morning. So at least it was available. It may well be that in the press of time Senator Haberman didn't have a chance to review the packet and the bill but it truly was available to our members. I want to respond to Senator Lamb. He suggests that one reason why this particular measure ought to be killed is because he doesn't think we should establish a precedent for examining who is and who is not needy. He thinks that is, in a sense, a bad precedent because it would then cause us to have similar studies conducted with other organizations and institutions and the like. Well the truth of the matter is, I