

be able to sign half of that away and I just don't think that is fair. If we are going to have joint tenancy, let's have joint tenancy, and let's have every joint tenant be involved in the decisions and the debts that are involved. The thing is that it is not an individual's property we are talking about. The term "joint" means it is shared. The decisions about that property should be shared, and the responsibilities for that property should be shared. My amendment simply makes it clear that that property is the responsibility of everybody that is a joint tenant, and that all those joint tenants should have to sign for any debt if they then may lose their share of that property for that debt. It is a simple amendment. It just goes a little further than what Senator Beutler intended with his original amendment. I think it cleans the language up a little, gets us back to the concept of joint tenancy which is what we want, which we have in the statute, and we don't have this hybrid situation that the bill has right now. If we are going to be amending the bill on Select File, trying to straighten it out, I would suggest this fine tuning adjustment could help us keep the intent of joint tenancy in Nebraska law. I would move this amendment.

PRESIDENT: Now, speaking to the amendment to the amendment, I will go through the list that I have here and see who wants... Senator Landis, do you want to speak to the amendment to the amendment?

SENATOR LANDIS: Well, yes, I guess I will. I had intended to speak on the bill but I will take just a moment to talk about the amendment offered by Senator Fowler. The amendment by Senator Fowler in its representation is being slightly technical in nature, in fact, undoes what LB 306 is designed to do, so in Steven's even-handed and well-tempered voice the representation is false that this is somehow a small little technical change, in fact, what it says is, that where you have a debt both signatures have to be on the debt and then 306 operates. In other words, it is a kind of making everyone sign the loan instrument which is exactly what was attempted earlier in earlier discussions. So let's not be taken aback or surprised by what Senator Fowler is doing. An interesting thing is happening here on the floor debate and that is the whipsawing by the opponents of 306. Senator Johnson stands up and says, what about tort claims? You are not covering tort claims. Senator Beutler stands up, puts in an amendment to address that. Senator Schmit stands up and says, look at this attachment of goodies, my goodness we have the repair of one of the leaky holes but who knows what else there is in that bill now that we have made this