

be far more effective in putting people on guard about potential governmental action and, in fact, what we have left over then is a tribute to publishers for their allowing us to move to this kind of second notice. It seems we can't replace one with the other. We have to add to the existing but ineffective notice with an effective notice. I personally am offended by that. I think we should have the best quality notice we can. That is contained in Senator Vickers' original bill. It is not what we have on the books and we should replace what is on the books with what Senator Vickers attempts to do in LB 31.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Thank you, Senator Landis. I appreciate Senator Landis' remarks. I am inclined to feel exactly the way Senator Landis and Senator Vickers feel and that simply is that we require our subdivisions and we also require private parties to publish far more notices in legal newspapers in this state than are necessary, that are necessary for alerting a public or affected parties to what is taking place. This bill, LB 31, represents a very simple change to provide better notice to the people who are to be affected by a governmental action than heretofore exists. Now it seems to me that for us to adopt a committee amendment to this bill to insure that we will still continue with a published notice continues in a very small way, there are not a lot of dollars involved, but a very small way to continue to require local subdivisions to make a needless expenditure of tax dollars. Now I frankly think that in this time of economy, every little bit helps and we ought to eliminate the published notice requirement and substitute therefore, the actual notice requirement of Senator Vickers' bill. It is for that reason that I would concur with Senator Landis and Senator Vickers and maybe some other members of the Urban Affairs Committee and urge the rejection of the committee amendment.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, fellow members of the Legislature, Senator Vickers made a remark that this is probably a losing cause due to the power of the press and the fear that we have of them. Well if this is true, I should have gray hair and should be shivering and shaking all the time as because last year I believe I have a record of seven editorials being written by the press that were not favorable toward this senator and, Senator Vickers, it sure the hell doesn't scare me, the power of the press. So let's don't use that as a crutch to try and pass this bill. We limit it to the cities of the first class. Nobody explained that. I think it would be setting a danger-