

SENATOR NICHOL: Your time is up.

SENATOR VICKERS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Wiltala has a group number two from Millard Public Schools and they are 50 students in the fourth grade and they are in the South balcony, Linda Mullman and Dr. Norma Payne are their teachers. Would you recognize them, please? Thank you for visiting the Legislature. Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Mr. Speaker and Senators, I understand that this amendment is created to protect the consumers who might be buying automobiles. There is another profession that I keep hearing about constantly from my constituents, not only in my district but all over the city and that is attorneys. I can't tell you the number of complaints I have had from people who have said that attorneys have taken their money and not told them the consequences that can arise if the attorney loses their case and if they do lose the case they still get charged so I would like to pose a philosophical question to you Senators that if we are going to protect the consumers in every facet of their life I would like to consider maybe an amendment or a bill that would require attorneys to post in their office for everyone who comes in there for counselling, first of all, what the cost is. If they write a letter it is twenty or twenty-five percent. If they file suit it goes to thirty-three and a third percent. If they go to court it is fifty percent and then I think the attorney should be required to post in very large signs, if we defend you in a murder case and you are convicted of first degree murder, what the penalty you are going to get. Is it the electric chair or ninety-nine years and should also tell what they are going to get if they are convicted of second degree murder, how many years they are going to get, third degree? I think it is appropriate, Senator Marsh, and I would appreciate it if you would let me continue because this is a consumer protection amendment and I am speaking to consumer protection.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Marsh, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR MARSH: Apparently Senator Higgins is going to show us what putting a sign in a lawyer's office has to do with this bill.

SENATOR HIGGINS: It is a consumer protection amendment and I am speaking for consumer protection. If we need it in one field, let's get into every field. I would like the permission of the Chair and the rest of the body to continue.