

about a defective roof. Is that not correct?

SENATOR H. PETERSON: Not necessarily. I just think it is defective. In fact, we had that happen during the tornado and fortunately we had a committee the fellow could before and the committee said we've had another contractor go out and look at my roof and it looks alright to us and if you don't want to pay for the roof then we will just have the contractor file under the lien law against you and in two days he was out and paid his bill.

SENATOR KILGARIN: Okay, well obviously the owner felt, at least in the beginning that he had a legitimate objection to the way the roof was placed on the home.

SENATOR H. PETERSON: He was just that kind of a homeowner and there are that kind of homeowners and we can recognize it in this state.

SENATOR KILGARIN: And there is also some contractors who really are not worthy of being in the business and....

SENATOR H. PETERSON: Well, I agree, but I think we have to protect the honest ones.

SENATOR KILGARIN: I would like to get back to the basic premise or the bottom line of LB 512 which is, do you honestly believe that a homeowner who has already paid for work that has been done on his house should have to pay again for that work? Is that fair? Is that right? I don't think it is and if you don't think it is right that people have to pay twice for the same work then you should vote for LB 512 as it stands now in its original form. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Mr. President, Senators, I just can't help myself. I have to get up and make these few remarks about the bill. So far I have heard Senator DeCamp, an attorney, Senator Beutler, an attorney, and Senator Hoagland, an attorney talk about protecting the homeowner and the people. Now if any of you have ever been in a serious auto accident and retained an attorney, that is known as a negligence claim where you are going to sue the other party that did bodily injury to you or damaged your property. Maybe you get a hundred thousand dollars settlement but you know who the insurance check is made out to? If Johnny DeCamp is your attorney it is made out to you and John DeCamp. You can't cash it without his signature or if Chris Beutler is, you and Beutler or if it is Peter