

received a lot of criticism for something which was not illegal and which under the law was all right. I think we want to avoid that kind of problem, that kind of situation and we can do that by making these distinctions clearly in the law and 134 starts us out in that direction. So I hope that you will let the high feelings that have been flying around for the last two days subside and give a clear and conscientious analysis of what is in the bill and to think in the long term and where we should be going as a political society and whether or not 134 doesn't really take us a little bit in the right direction. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I rise to oppose the motion to indefinitely postpone LB 134. I have lived with the Accountability Commission for the years that I have been in this body and I find it not unreasonable but I have always had a problem in terms of campaign monies and how they could be spent consciously and I think that the bill that we are about to move forward, and I hope that we do, will define for us as Senator Beutler said very specifically, how we use those monies so that none of us will be concerned about the fact that we are actually using them to promote our candidacy or are we using them for some other reasons. I was not here yesterday morning and I understand that the remarks were rather personal and I think that is unfortunate. I do not look at 134 as a personal issue at all. I look at it as a piece of legislative intent that provides all candidates, now and in the future, guidelines under which we expend campaign funds, so when we report to the Accountability Commission it will be accurate and we will have no questions and we will possibly not be embarrassed in public in terms of the media or in our own communities. So I oppose Senator Fenger's motion to indefinitely postpone. I think that we should advise the people publicly that we are willing to live within certain guidelines and conduct our activities financially and otherwise in good faith, so I oppose the motion to indefinitely postpone.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: I call the question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, there are no other lights on so I think we will just close. Senator Fenger, do you wish to close on the motion?

SENATOR FENGER: Mr. Speaker, the lines are pretty well drawn and this issue has been adequately debated. I would waive any further closing and call for the vote.