

made a very strong effort to get our survey records up to snuff and hopefully that has been done. I can't guarantee it. It is a process that has to be ongoing. You can't just give it a shot in the arm and say it is all done and it is perfect. You never will get it perfect. It will be a matter of working at it and if I understand the bill right it would not change the cost to the county or to the citizen in that county an appreciable amount unless you wanted the records for some other purpose, why they would be the same as they are right now. There would be a cost in the first registration of the survey.

PRESIDENT: Senator Haberman, did you wish to speak again?

SENATOR HABERMAN: I have a letter here from a surveyor in Omaha. "I am a registered professional surveyor and I have been a county surveyor for fifteen years and I am writing to indicate my opposition to LB 127." Due to what reason? Due to the cost. Due to what reason? Duplicating services. We're going to file these in the county and we're also going to file them in the repository. We're going to do both. The main problem with this legislation is the funding. Now if they could come up with a way to use no general funds, fine. But once you start using general funds, then what happens? You add a little bit more, little bit more, little bit more. The fiscal note shows that they want six new employees at a cost of \$93,000 just for the employees and they keep saying, "if" this will only happen "if" they receive the funds. Well, Mr. Brown, the state surveyor, openly admitted that the 62,400 surveys to support this program was too high. He said the figure was based on a formula, one survey per surveyor per day, that he had nothing else to base it on. Also when he was questioned further on this matter he cited the example of Bill Dorner in Omaha who does approximately fifteen hundred surveys. He conceded that under this bill only a hundred would be filed and considered as surveys under this new bill. So right there we are losing fifteen hundred of the 62,000 that it is going to take to finance the program. So you are being snow-balled on the financing of this program. If we have 62,000 surveys per year what happens if the if doesn't happen? Then they are going to go back here and they are going to ask for state funds and we don't need any more bureaucracies or bureaucrats. We don't need six more employees. The counties are doing a good job. You're going to end up, you're not even going to have county surveys if you pass this bill. It is all going to go down to big brother down in Lincoln. The state is going to do it for you and at what cost? Here we are putting general funds into creating a duplication of surveys and we have people that you read in the paper that are hungry. They are out of work. The budget is short. We haven't got any money and we are