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LB 759

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Beutler, would you respond, please.

SENATOR BEUTLER: I didn't send it out because Senator Warner just changed his amendment on the floor five minutes ago, Senator Marsh, and I had to respond in three minutes. So the big change that I am making is to change the word "or" back to "and" like it originally was so that the Department of Motor Vehicles is forced to take bids on both types of systems as opposed to being allowed to choose again the 3M system.

SENATOR MARSH: What if they choose the other system?

SENATOR BEUTLER: They can't choose the other system under my amendment. They have to take bids on both systems.

SENATOR MARSH: What if...I guess I need to respond to Senator Clark as well.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Clark.

SENATOR MARSH: It was my understanding that the reason the individuals and her or his designee were put on a selection committee was because they do bring areas of expertise. All aside from your joking about the PhD, these are persons who have an interest for one reason or another in a design that will be functional for as many years as we probably are going to have to put up with the next batch of license plates.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Marsh, let me say this to start with. I don't know anyone in the country that has a five-man committee to design a simple license plate. I don't know that...anyone that has one. There is no expertise to designing one that I know of.

SENATOR MARSH: Well, that may be what the problem has been in the past that we haven't had the expertise because we have ended up with something that one tires of. Maybe there is a license plate that could be designed that doesn't have the whole community so tired of it whether it is worn out or not. But that is aside from the point. I find that the persons who have been named to this committee are persons who have a reason for an interest in the design and certainly the manufacturing of a license plate, and I fail to see why Senator Clark is so upset about this type of amendment to LB 759, almost as if he protesteth too much.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Kremer.

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