

agreement on this matter?

SENATOR CHAMBERS PRESIDING

SENATOR CHAMBERS: The Chair recognizes Senator Barrett. Senator Barrett, will you yield to a question from Senator Moore?

SENATOR BARRETT: Yes.

SENATOR MOORE: Yes, Senator Barrett, were you involved in a meeting? I find it.... If the precedence has always been to do this 90 days after the session has occurred, I find it hard to believe, if there were meetings involved you would have had to talk about specifically this issue, when the date was. And I want to do what is fair and I want to do what is right, but unless there was an agreement that it was January 1, I think Senator Hefner may be a little out of line in bringing this amendment at this time. So I would like to hear your point of view on what the agreement was on this matter.

SENATOR BARRETT: One of the better things, Senator Moore, that has happened during this session was the agreement which was reached on LB 446. Numerous meetings were held. There were three or four bills discussed as a package, individually and collectively. It is my opinion that the issue which we are speaking about today, at this moment, is an absolute and total misunderstanding between two parties. I have before me my notes, my handwriting. I have U.C. meaning unemployment compensation with an asterisk before it, dash effective date of January 1, dash floor amendment. It was my understanding that that was agreed upon at that time. Obviously there is a misunderstanding and that is why we are here debating the issue.

SENATOR MOORE: Okay.

SENATOR BARRETT: This is a misunderstanding. In my opinion, there was an understanding, in the opinion of others, there was not.

SENATOR MOORE: Would Senator Hall yield to a question?

SENATOR HALL: You bet.

SENATOR MOORE: Senator Hall, if this amendment is adopted will you oppose the bill?