

out? I don't think even aside from the complaints that I have received, and I think some of the other members of the body may well have, that this is necessary language. It was put on to please some group of people at some time in the past as a favor to them. Maybe it's time to take it off as a favor to simplicity in government. Thank you, sir.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Haberman, then Senator Scofield.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the body, Senator Beyer, your argument is a little weak as we adopt thousands of amendments to bills that do not have public hearings. Senator Lamb, since we have brought our spouses into this debate, I would like to tell you that my spouse has told me that she does not like the words "NOT FOR HIRE" on our license plates, as I understand somebody might have said something to her about it. I really don't understand the rationale of putting on a license plate "NOT FOR HIRE". Now I can remember when somebody got up on this floor and said, we don't want the names of the counties on the license plates, and they proceeded to tell us why, because of some of the names of the counties. And I'm not going to say what they are, because you all know what they are. So I would rise to support Senator Coordsen's amendment as I really can't find any rationale, as I say, to have it on there, and it is offensive. Maybe we ought to have the Governor and Senator Chambers keep track of these remarks that are being made to the ladies and then have them investigated, that we're doing on other racial remarks. So I would support your amendment, Senator Coordsen, and thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Scofield, then Senator Hefner.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Mr. President and members, I just thought I should stand up and defend my friend, poor lonesome George back here. (Laughter.) My Mother does not very often drive a farm truck. We do have a couple of pickups that have farm plates. Since I have caught a certain amount of abuse at home from time to time, and a request for this language, and I know we went through this last year, I thought it was only right that I stand up and commend Senator Coordsen for his sensitivity, realizing that there are other groups out there that are not at all excited about this change. Nevertheless, I think it is offensive to many women in the state, and I've certainly had it called to my attention by others, in addition to my Mom. So I thought I should, in deference to Mom and in defense of Senator