

that people objected to were still on the books, so you had two sets of directions. Those have been removed. There is certainly some good things for the companies here and what that is is a good, clear set of directions that is up-to-date. That is worth having. I urge the advancement of LB 92.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, sir. Discussion on the bill, itself, Senator Schmit, followed by Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, Senator Landis has gone through some of the amendments and some of the sections of the bill, and I think he has done a commendable job. It is a very, very extensive bill. I do not want to belabor the bill but I want to point out we spent a considerable amount of time yesterday and several days previous to that time on LB 48, a bill which I think has less impact in many ways than this bill will have, and, you know, after a number of years, you find out around here if you really want to slide something through, you put together a major bill, a 300-page bill. It could include language to hang all 49 of us at high noon and we would probably vote for it, and so my concern is this. The bill was put together by the industry and Senator Landis says there might be some sections that we might want to look at from the standpoint of a Christmas tree, maybe even from the standpoint of pruning, Senator Landis. Do you have any suggestions that might be subject to disagreement certain sections of the bill, if we were to take the time to read it in detail, which none of us have?

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Landis.

SENATOR SCHMIT: You pointed out some and I appreciate that but are there any others that you think might be particularly controversial.

SENATOR LANDIS: Let me respond in this way, Senator Schmit. When 92 was drafted, the task force decided to place all of the agreed upon and noncontroversial changes, at least inside the industry and inside the relationship of the industry to the department in 92. If there were provisions that they thought there would be more disagreement about, they would be in one of the four other bills that the task force produced. So in one sense there was a goal to try to make this housecleaning and noncontroversial. Undoubtedly, there are...maybe there are some agents out there, for example, who don't want their fees raised and object to paying \$5 more a year for their fee, so there