

My final note in answer to that question is this, this idea of a task force, this idea of bringing people together and taking a look at what has happened to one's underlying insurance regulatory statute over the course of time has occurred in six or seven states, and they are not states necessarily contiguous with ours. They are around the country, but they have done this project in an attempt to update their laws and it seems to be the coming trend. Now we seem to be in advance of the trend in the task force, but we are drawing our materials from the existing model offerings of the NAIC in a large measure.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any other discussion? Senator Landis, would you care to make a closing statement?

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you. I would just like to make two comments. I thought Senator Schmit raised an excellent point and it is one that I think is very fair. His suggestion was that all of us be responsible for this bill, all of us be responsible so that we don't simply defer and say, well, I didn't know but I was hoping that Landis knew or I was hoping the lobby knew. In fact, I do not ask you to simply trust me in this area. I have done my own study. I am satisfied with it, but I can tell you now, I have got to continue to study this thing. I have to continue to buttonhole the people in the lobby and to ask them questions about it, and I encourage you to do the same. I want to start a different kind of a trend here than the past. I don't want to be...to encourage you simply to trust me. I hope that we all feel a sense of responsibility for this legislation. I will do my best to help with that education process, but I think Senator Schmit's admonition is well taken. The second point I wanted to make was that Senator Schmit characterized the ag land task force as having created problems, and I don't agree with that characterization at all. The problems stem from the writing of the amendment, not the LB 271 task force. Having chaired that, I want the record to reflect that, my side of that controversy. We will save it for another day, Loran. Thank you. I move the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. You have heard the closing and the question is the advancement of LB 92 to E & R Initial. All in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Voting on the advancement of LB 92. Please record.