

can. in fact, jeopardize...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR LYNCH: ...the other bills that we have for consideration on, in fact, public health and rural health. I would like to simply suggest that it would not be in the best interest of anybody in this state to routinely kill this, especially based on the arguments that I have heard so far. This is not a broad issue. There's a song in South Pacific and this is done only because of what the song says, not because I say and I don't say this out of disrespect, "as broad as a broad should be broad". Everybody in that show that was a girl weighed no more than a 105 pounds, I think, so I'm not sure what they meant by the song. But this is something like we're talking about now. I'm not sure we know what's in the song or what we're even talking about. Give it a chance to work. I think, in fact, it should be given a chance to live. I hope you oppose...I hope you oppose the kill motion.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Pirsch.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have been trying to think my way through this as people have been talking this morning and am still quite unclear as to what effect this will make on the health care across the state and eventually I guess I would like Senator Lynch or Senator Wesely to respond. But, as I understand it, the money in the fiscal note is salaries, essentially, salaries and expenses for the Advisory Committee. Is that correct, Senator Lynch? Just a simple yes or no.

SENATOR LYNCH: Sorry, Senator Pirsch, I wasn't listening.

SENATOR PIRSCH: The 659, next year 698,000 is essentially for salaries of the health nurses, the health educators, the environmental health scientists and the typists in each of these regions and then one health program administrator in Lincoln, I suppose.

SENATOR LYNCH: Yes, ma'am, plus...

SENATOR PIRSCH: Okay.

SENATOR LYNCH: ...\$24,999 for operating expenses. Yes, plus that, that's one of the changes.