

drafted that there was not that many companies being able to use it. It's a more...we heard this morning it's a more stringent bill than 775, complying with the rules over a period of time. Definitely there is a need. Senator Smith made a comment she'd like to see it even lower for the little towns that we represent. Seventy-five thousand dollars is a lot of dollars for little communities like where I come from. But at least it's a lot better than \$100,000. I'd like to see the bill advance. I think we can complete this bill in a few minutes and go to lunch.

SENATOR LAMB: Motion on the desk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator McFarland would move to indefinitely postpone LB 335. Senator Rogers would have the option to lay the bill over, Mr. President.

SENATOR ROGERS: No, take it up.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator McFarland, on the motion to indefinitely postpone.

SENATOR MCFARLAND: Thank you, Senator Rogers, I appreciate it. Wanted a chance to speak. I've had my light on. I had it on before but Senator Labedz's amendment was up, and since I wasn't really going to speak on that, I wanted to speak on the bill, not the amendment, I passed. I'd first of all like to thank my colleagues, Senator Hall and Senator Landis, for being so upset and angry and chagrined and taken aback by the fact that LB 437 only got 16 votes on the floor. In my view they have a legitimate reason to be upset and angry because the concept of 437 was excellent and it relates to this bill, I might add as well. Perhaps I'm not as upset and angry as I used to be, maybe it's because I'm used to being defeated on these kinds of proposals regarding anything that questions or challenges 775. However, I've not given up and I will continue to urge reconsideration of 775 because it's not doing a positive benefit for our state. I plan to vote in favor of LB 335, probably, unless I hear something that I'm not aware of in the bill right now. I supported LB 370...or 270, and I supported before that the bill that preceded that that related to it, which was LB 1124, as I recall. The reason I do is because, in fact, small businesses are really being taken advantage of by the large corporations who get all the big benefits under LB 775, whereas the smaller corporations or the small business persons