

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: ...and that we have the procedures for. I guess we're asking, at this point in time, to let's get rid of that backlog, let's work on a permanent solution for how to handle the increased numbers of appeals and don't try to deny people the right to have their day in front of the Nebraska Supreme Court. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Moore, would you care to discuss the motion to indefinitely postpone, followed by Senators Chamber Pirsch, Chizek and Kristensen.

SENATOR MOORE: Yes, Mr. Speaker and members. As I listened to Senator Kristensen describe the need for this bill, it's very similar to some of the discussions I, myself, had yesterday, on LB 84. We're talking about we need a stopgap approach to deal with the problem, I think, so we can more directly deal with the problem in the years to come. Now I guess I need to ask Senator Kristensen a question. Now the way you said it, is it the Judiciary Committee that will be trying to come up with a long-term solution to this problem in the interim?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: That's right, there is a bill up right now, it's constitutional Amendment VIII that would create an intermediate court of appeals and that is something that's been advanced out, I believe, by our committee that is sitting up here, but that we want to spend more of the summer deciding how best that should operate. There's a lot of options that we have, and that to me is the long-term solution in this state.

SENATOR MOORE: The long-term solution will probably require a constitutional amendment in '90, is that correct?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Yes.

SENATOR MOORE: Okay, and 586, now I don't believe you actually talked about the cost. But do you feel comfortable that the A bill is a fairly accurate assessment of what it will cost to implement this bill?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Not as it is in your bill book. Since we adopted the amendment you can probably cut those costs in half, that's on the fiscal note in your bill book, because we're cutting down by a full year. So we'll just have a halving of