

connect these two bills. The interesting thing is that I worked with one of the co-sponsors of LB 769 to keep the bill from being unconstitutional on its face, amendments that I offered to that bill were accepted, by the co-sponsor, because they were necessary to improve the bill and cause it to do what they claim their intent was. I had stated that I would not make any attempts to help the bill become constitutional, but then when I saw what Senator Lindsay was doing, and the feeling that I have about legislating, I felt compelled to offer those amendments that clarified and that removed unconstitutional language. Now, as far as the rest of what Senator Labeledz said, she certainly does have a right to be offended at the approach that I take to bills. There are a number of things that are said on this floor, a number of things that are done that I take offense at, but I stand up and do battle. And if there is ever an attempt to try to have me ruled out of order, because of the approach that I take to legislating, then I'm sure we'll fight that battle when it arises. But there are others of you with whom I've fought tooth and nail on bills. It just happens that on 769 there are others who are opposed, too, so I presume Senator Labeledz is going to take out after Senator Smith, after Senator Bernard-Stevens, and after Senator Ashford. And, if she does not, then we'll know what her real motivation is. But on LB 84, which is the bill that Senator Hall and others had worked out an agreement on, the property tax bill, or LB 89, whichever one it is, I gave them a lot of grief. I gave Senator Kristensen considerable grief on his appellate bill, where he wanted to create an appellate division of the court. On LB 330, the protection order, Senator Bernard-Stevens had an amendment, and I meant we locked horns on that, until he paid attention on a subsequent amendment and realized I was right. But he won on the one that we argued about. So, I expect to argue with people on these bills. I expect the debate to be vigorous, I expect it to be very strong. And when people have an emotional involvement in a bill I, understanding human nature, recognize what that emotional involvement will cause a person to do. Now, there was another bill about which I felt very strongly, and that was LB 592, establishing a minimum sentence in drug cases. Senator Abboud and I went at that. As Senator Korshoj mentioned, I was looking at the green copy and he was named "Senator Albound" in that bill. A-b-b-o-u-n-d. But I didn't bring that up during the debate because it was extraneous to the issues that we were discussing. But the method that...by which I argue and debate is well known by everybody on the floor.