

Mr. Speaker.

PRESIDENT: Senator Hartnett, please.

SENATOR HARTNETT: I wanted, Mr. President and members of the body, I simply want to clear up some misinformation, I guess, or something, and I want to get it on record, I talked with Senator Landis, is that my bill that I had in LB 466 that was voted out of committee simply dealt with both title insurance and with abstractors, because normally...and it was with attorneys and they normally practice or have both, wear both hats. They are title insurance people and they are also abstractors, and so I guess what I heard is I guess from my people is that I think they have no problem with continuing education. It is simply the quality and how much is offered, is that sometimes they have the seminars and meetings simply to get people to go and they count them as seminars, and I guess I have problems with there, I think if we are going to require continuing education of anybody, it should have some, you know, it should have some value, and I guess that is where I am coming from, and I think that is what the people that have talked to me, and the attorneys that have talked to me is if it had, whether it was six hours or three hours, if there was some flexibility, and if the courses were of better quality, I guess, in their eyes, and I think they see themselves, I guess, maybe attorneys, we have some on the floor here, see themselves better than the rest of us because of their, you know, extensive sense of training. So for that reason, I simply want to kind of oppose this amendment at this particular time.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Haberman, would you like to close on your motion, please? You are closing.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the body, I would like to call to the attention of the body that this really isn't an increase of three hours because the present law calls for six hours instead of three. Now to answer the objection as to the quality of the seminars from some of the attorneys, that objection really, folks, will go away because the Bar Association is holding their own, and if a Bar Association is holding a seminar and they are in control of the subject matter, it surely isn't anybody's fault, except maybe theirs, as to the quality of the subject matter. Also it was brought up, Senator Kristensen says he supports continuing education. I do, too, and that is what this is all about. So we know that quality is