

a little frustrating, because I am just sure as I am standing here that we are not going to have a mandate to remove all the asbestos in our public buildings across this country, we are not going to have a mandate to further remove asbestos from schools, we are not going to have the same kinds of cries coming out of Congress and the EPA that we have had, because there is absolutely no evidence to suggest that our exposure or our level of risk inside of a building is any different than it is outside of a building, because of the contaminants in the air. And it's a little bothersome that we've been spending millions of dollars right here in this state, millions of dollars of our taxpayers dollars, schools dollars to remove this stuff, and actually what we have done is created more risk for the workers that have been removing it than we have for the people that have been in these buildings all this time. It's a little frustrating when you deal with people, no matter how good-hearted they are about what is right for us, that they don't have a sense of balance. So I hope we do advance this, because after all this is a loosening up. But I'd say to Senator Beck and to Senator Nelson and the other senators that have been talking, bring back that amendment next year, I'm going to be out of here, but bring back that amendment next year to exempt one to four-family homes, because I don't think you're going to have much question, next year, after the EPA gets their act together,...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: ...after Congress starts reading these reports that have come out. Bring it back, don't jeopardize this bill, because we need this bill. But bring it back again, I think you'll have no problems with it next time. And I hope that we don't do this same kind of thing with radon, which is coming down the line right now. Sorry for my lecture.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Schmit. Senator Schmit, on the advancement of the bill. Anyone else care to discuss the advancement of LB 923? Senator Wesely, would you care to close?

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members. I appreciate very much Senator Hannibal's comments, not all that much, but maybe a little bit. I understand what he's trying to say, that we ought not regulate beyond what makes sense. And I don't want to imply that we're trying to unreasonably regulate. In fact, I think this bill would indicate that the Health Department and myself and others are willing to recognize the need for