

SENATOR HALL: Is there a reason that this wasn't part of the other amendments that you addressed on General File that were added to this provision?

SENATOR LANDIS: The other measures had all come out of committee and it was sort of like, I guess you would have to say, a failure of nerve on my part as to how much I was going to put into the bill.

SENATOR HALL: Five, six, seven...

SENATOR LANDIS: Something like that.

SENATOR HALL: ...How high did I want to go?

SENATOR LANDIS: Yeah, something like that. I will tell you this, we now have taken out the Medicare supplement (interruption).

SENATOR HALL: I understand that. I...I...and I understood that to be part of the amendment. My...my question is, you said the others had been advanced out of committee. Is this...I also understood you in your opening to say that the committee acted favorably upon this part of the amendment. Does that mean that this is in a bill form somewhere currently on General File?

SENATOR LANDIS: This is in LB 981. I believe the bill is still in committee. Oh, I'm sorry. "Senator" Marineau corrects me and informs me that it's on General File.

SENATOR HALL: And the reason I asked that is because you said it was acted on favorably and then you said the others were acted on and I just wanted to clarify that it had been advanced out of committee. Was there any opposition to the bill in committee when the hearing was held?

SENATOR LANDIS: Not that I recall, no.

SENATOR HALL: Okay. And, again, explain to me how this one provision deals with an operation, how does it work? Just what are we changing? What are the impacts that this statutory change would have on the operations of an insurance company?

SENATOR LANDIS: Well, right now an insurance company can hand