

SENATOR LANDIS: More than fair.

SENATOR HALL: ...because I think the argument that relates it to subsection (2) in terms of how it is paid out is not a problem. That's not an issue, but do those two sections mesh and harmonize, and if they don't, then I think they need to be corrected.

SENATOR LANDIS: Could I have just a second to respond to that, because I think it's a fair point. One more reading of the statutes to harmonize is definitely in order. Their use of the correct language is in order. If the bill drafting that has been done on the floor is the end of the process, we're all in trouble because I don't intend to rely on my own work or what we do quickly here. I see us as having sketched a concept and I know that perhaps both you and Senator Chambers may have some reluctance, perhaps we need an outside source of review, but harmonization is well justified in this case and we ought to do it. And to this section my guess is if Senator Chambers can find half a dozen more that we ought to take a look at, very fair to be done.

PRESIDENT: Okay, Senator Chambers, were you through?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I haven't even started.

PRESIDENT: Would you like to start, Senator Chambers?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes. Members of the Legislature, we can all agree that we're dealing with a complex issue but it has been made complex because of the poor drafting quality of the legislation that was presented to us. Had there been time and circumspection expended on the drafting of this legislation, we would at least have before us a proper statement or delineation of the issues that we're trying to grapple with. But when the language utilized is not correct, when the concepts proposed will not achieve the end desired such as using the word appellant when you should have said prevailing party, and I wish whoever told...brought that up would have just minded their own business and left it alone. And as little as there might appear to be in the bill as it stands now, there are other things that somebody who really wants a coherent effective piece of legislation should review and consider. We can say anything we want to in a piece of legislation, but courts are not bound to