

SENATOR HABERMAN: Well, I think that's to be commended, he's to be commended for doing this. I never realized that Mr. Radcliffe did these things. So, as far as you know then, this is his idea, and he's the one that is promoting the bill.

SENATOR ELMER: To the best of my knowledge, that is the case.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Thank you, Senator Elmer.

SPEAKER BAACK: Further discussion? Senator Pirsch.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Members of the body, I, too, had concerns in committee, and many of them have been spoken about already today. But I did want to correct your Judiciary Committee statement that Senator Wickersham and I did not vote to advance this bill. There is an error on this committee statement. So, there were two of us, on Judiciary, that had some of the same concerns that were voiced today. So, I did want to make that public that LB 125 did not have Pirsch and Wickersham on the "yes" to advance.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Pirsch. Further discussion. Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the body, I rise in support of this bill. I think we have to remember when we hear all the arguments that we're talking about that we don't know how much this will cost, it could get expensive if we have a lot of unconstitutional bills and those type of arguments. We ought to remember whose hands and whose control those unconstitutional bills are in. If we don't pass unconstitutional bills, we're not going to be running up all these expenses. I think what we're trying to do is pass that blame on, say, we may make mistakes here in the body, but we're not going to pay for them. We're willing to let the citizens of the state pay for those. And, we're talking about in some cases that we can have some pretty egregious prosecutions, some pretty aggressive prosecutions under bills or under laws that maybe even the prosecutor knows is unconstitutional. In that situation, I think, people ought to be compensated for the fees and costs that they run up. Defending a criminal prosecution is not an inexpensive proposition, it can set somebody back, sometimes set them back to the point of getting rid of their life savings in a situation where...where they never should have