

LB 262. now we're dealing with amendments that are part of 262 and part are not 262. I think in this whole amendment arena and there are people, and I'm not an attorney and there is a lot of people in this body that aren't attorneys, but I think you ought to be aware what some of these amendments lead to. Some of these are from the cities, counties. When you have people that say, we're going to inspect your elevators, but if we don't do it right and your wife and your children fall with this elevator, we don't think you ought to be able to do anything to us. The City of Omaha got out of the elevator inspection business just this year. One of the things that I was told when they discussed it with me was we keep getting sued. Well, one of the reasons they kept getting sued is they violate their own ordinance which said they would inspect it so many times a year and they didn't do it, and they didn't do it. Now, for anybody, for any wife or any farmer or rancher in this body, you ought to take a long, hard look at what they are doing with some of these. How do you identify economic damage, economic loss to a wife? I defy anybody to point that out to me. And this is an issue, quite frankly, my colleagues, that we ought to address for the people in this state, not the insurance industry, not the cities, not the counties, but for the people in this state. That is who elected us, that's why we're here and I think that these amendments are game playing with the bill that has had a lot of work in it that the body has dealt with for a number of years. Last year there were attempts to try and negotiate. You can't even get the sides to sit down and talk on this issue and it is as frustrating to some of you as it is to me. Senator Kristensen's bill is still sitting in committee, still alive. The committee hadn't taken any action. You may set a precedence here that we will live with for a long time. I oppose the amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thanks, Senator Chizek. Next on the list, Senator Conway, do you want to talk to the Abboud amendment? Okay. Senator Abboud, did you want to address your amendment again? Senator Abboud, did you want to talk some more on your amendment? Okay, then we have Senator Nelson. Did you want to speak on the Abboud amendment?

SENATOR NELSON: I'll pass on this.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Landis, on the Abboud amendment.

SPEAKER LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, we are