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Kristensen? Do you just want me to rule? Okay. The ruling of the Chair is that this portion of the amendment is not germane and...because it does create, I mean it does talk about the political subdivisions which were not part of the original bill. So, I am ruling that this is not germane.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment I have to the bill is offered by Senator Chizek.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Chizek.

SENATOR CHIZEK: I'll pull that amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: He withdraws? Next, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment is by Senator Ashford. Senator, this is the amendment you gave me this morning.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Ashford withdraws.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BAACK: Nothing further on the bill, then we will go to Senator Ashford since he is the introducer of the bill, to bring us back up to date. Senator Ashford.

SENATOR ASHFORD: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. I think I can truthfully say that I believe the members of this body have taken control of LB 88 for the first time since 1987, and I think it is really a glorious time. But Senator Kristensen and I had the opportunity to discuss the issues raised, and Senator Conway, the issues raised in his noneconomic, economic amendment. As you may recall, on Friday, the body appended an amendment to LB 88 which deals with the problem of reallocation. When a defendant does not have, we've had all that discussion back and forth about what happens when you have a defendant without assets and how do we reallocate the damages? Senator Kristensen had another way of doing that and that was his amendment. The body voted to put it on and that's where we are now. Over the weekend Senator Kristensen and I have had the opportunity to talk about that. I think that we can find some language that will satisfy me that that is a fair amendment, hopefully, and we're going to work on that language between General and Select File. Senator Kristensen is dealing with a very, I would suggest, not a very oft used part of the law, but