

amendments to the bill by Senator Coordsen, Senator Wesely, and Senator Beutler that were adopted to the bill. At that time, Madam President, Senator Landis made a motion to indefinitely postpone the bill. Senator Coordsen, as is his prerogative, chose to lay the bill over. That motion is now pending.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you. We'll recognize Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you. Madam President, members of the Legislature, I rise reluctantly, because I'm sure that LB 22 has the best of intentions and seeks to improve our accountability as well as administrative agencies. My conclusion is, however, that, as well meaning as the measure is, it requires a rather good deal of work for a limited amount of payoff which could be obtained right now under our existing system with no change in law. Should we wish to, we could now request to be put on the list of people to be notified by any administrative agency of their pending rules and regs. And, just like our Hot Line in the Clerk's Office, they'll give us notice of that, tell us when the hearings are. If we want to show up, we can do it. But right now the bill says that, although they won't send us the rule, they will send us a statement about what the rule says. Our committee counsels shall review these measures. The executive committee shall refer it, or may refer it, perhaps the case is now because of the Wesely amendment, to the Standing Committees. The committee will be called into session, because of the Beutler amendment, to take some kind of action with which then to intervene and appear at a hearing, all for a task or a function that any one of us could do on our own without the bill. Now, I'm sure that you, like I, have constituents who say to you, why are there so darn many bills? Why are there so many measures down there? And I always say, look, there's a lot of people who think there should be some change. People want a lot of different things. But there is no organized faction in favor of this, no group who feels that they've not been accounted for and demand redress. Take a look, there were no proponents or opponents, other than Senator Coordsen, at the hearing for this measure. And that doesn't mean it's not a good idea, it doesn't mean it's a bad idea because nobody showed up, but it does mean this, nobody else seems to care about it. And we're hauling water here where no water needs to be hauled. We are slashing our way through an open door. If we want to take the time, and energy, and effort, we can do this without a bill. It simply makes work for people who are covering for us. And, in that estimation, 22 is unnecessary. I did hear Senator Moore say,