

constitution certainly is supreme in this state and the court's interpretation of that constitution is what we must live by. But, nevertheless, LR 442 is simply a resolution that states, very straight, that it's our body's intention to have the Attorney General and the Administration explore every possible legal avenue to honor that, at least a moral obligation certainly in my mind. We all know how we vote on this issue. Obviously, if you've historically opposed paying off the depositors, you probably want to vote "no". On the other hand, if you voted for those bills in the past and you continue to be of the belief that that payoff should occur then I would encourage you to support this resolution. It, by itself, does nothing other than give a little direction. Obviously, it'd certainly be my hope that there would be found a legal and a constitutional method of achieving our goal and making those people whole and that's all the resolution attempts to do, is direct those people to try and do that. Obviously, there's no foregone conclusion that they can do that, only the hope that they can, and with that I'd simply ask for adoption of the resolution and give...it's one of those things we don't need to spend a whole lot of time on. If you're opposed, vote against it. If you're for trying to find a way to constitutionally honor that obligation, I'd urge you to support the amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Moore. Senator Landis, followed by Senators Haberman, Coordsen, Schmit...Schimek, and Beutler, sorry. Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Madam President and members of the Legislature, I rise to support the Schmit amendment and the Moore amendment, the resolution rather. The resolution, I read it carefully, basically solicits an opinion from the Attorney General if there are any legal avenues available to the State of Nebraska. Since the Attorney General has been keen on giving unsolicited legal opinions, I thought maybe we could ask him for one and then, among all the rest of the ones that we didn't ask for or that weren't solicited, that we might get one that was on a very important topic to this state and I would urge the adoption of the resolution.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Landis. Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Madam President, members of the body, I have a question of Senator Moore.