

third, whatever the public decides to do in voluntarily choosing to sign or not sign contracts gives the public a clear voice in the determination of their fate. I would offer LR 1 for advancement and request your vote for the same. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Landis. The Chair recognizes Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President, members of the Legislature, this is another of those items over which we had battled last session and as last session, I'm going to vote against it, but I will not renew the battle. I think though the Legislature should take into consideration the fact that this will take away certain rights to the courts that have always been enjoyed by the people of this state. Until an individual is confronted with one of these problems, this kind of issue seems to be beyond the interest or concern of the ordinary citizen. But I envision the Legislature buckling to special interest groups as it will do this session on other issues and we're going to wind up with certain types of contracts that are very unfair. But since the Legislature has taken into its head that it is going to enact this proposal, there is no need in the long, drawn-out, rancorous struggle that could be undertaken. I'm curious to see what kind of language will accompany this to the ballot in view of some statements made by at least a couple of judges that there was not sufficient information to inform the people of the impact of this proposal in terms of the denial of certain rights, certain privileges, certain benefits that accrue to being able to take a matter of dispute into the court system. So I will vote against this as I did before and I will ask at this point for a record vote because I doubt that there will be much more discussion.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Is there any further discussion of LR 1CA? Seeing none, Senator Landis, would you like to close?

SENATOR LANDIS: Yes, I have put on your desk a couple of pieces so that you will know what they are. There is, first, a study by the Deloitte, Touche Accounting House on litigation services from outside and general counsels. These are people both who sue and get sued and what you'll find in their survey of lawyers that they deal with on behalf of people who sue and get sued, is that alternative dispute resolution is a favored method for several reasons, cheaper, faster, and more final. So this is in