

2000, if we don't start today, we won't have that constitution brought up-to-date. The year 2000 is not magic, but certainly provides us with a cutoff time to say we've reviewed our constitution. If we review it three times a decade, I think that's sufficient. Other states, for example, like New York, and we've got information here that every year or every 20 years, excuse me, every 20 years they come back and it's placed on their ballot for their citizens to vote as to whether they should have a constitutional convention. And they've had those sorts of things. They've made some mistakes. I think there's some things we can learn from the State of New York, but certainly there are a number of other states who have gone forth and done this. We are one of the few states who have not rewritten their constitution...

SENATOR HALL: Time.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: ...in the last decade. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Is there anyone that would care to speak to the advancement of LB 53 to E & R Initial? Seeing none, Senator Kristensen, do you care to close?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Mr. President, if I could just close real briefly. We will be working, in the interim period of time here, to come up with a satisfactory procedural method for the funding. We don't want to create a special agency, we don't want to do an ongoing thing, we want this to be a short-lived commission that does their job, disbands and goes home. Just for the record so people are comfortable, this would be 12 people. Those 12 people, 6 of them appointed by the Legislature, no more than 3, 3 appointed by the executive branch and 3 appointed by the Supreme Court to serve and send back the recommendations to us within 2 years. I'd be happy to answer any other questions and would ask for your favorable attention to this piece of legislation. Thank you.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. You've heard the close and the motion to advance LB 53 to E & R Initial. Question is, shall the bill be advanced? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 53.