

SENATOR BROMM: Okay. And then, to further clarify, in order to be entitled to a jury trial under a city or village ordinance, you would have to be charged with same or substantially the same offense as you could be charged under a state law and the penalty under the city or village ordinance would have to include imprisonment. Is that correct?

SENATOR LINDSAY: Right.

SENATOR BROMM: Okay. Thank you. I think the language is about as good as I feel we can get it at this point. The things...and I don't know for sure how I'm going to vote on this amendment yet, to tell you the truth, the things that give me a little concern about the whole area that we're into, and this isn't unusual, but the bill, as it was introduced and as the public hearing was held, did not really include any discussion about changing the provision of the statute on city or village ordinances. So we really didn't have cities or villages coming in presenting data on what this will do to them, and I fully understand Senator Chambers' arguments that we need to be concerned about the rights of people more so than the rights of cities and political subdivisions, and, from a purely constitutional standpoint, I certainly tend to agree with that. On the other hand, as a practical matter, I'm not sure what the fiscal impact, and I'm not sure who can tell us, but what the fiscal impact of this is expected to be. It is possible that a city or village could do some amendments to their ordinances, some revisions which could result in them having less fiscal impact perhaps than what they might otherwise. And so it gives me a little bit of concern, I guess, that I don't know that we've had a full amount of discussion or an ample opportunity for us to find out all the information about how this amendment would impact cities or villages or how it would be expected to. If we do this and pass on to Select File, maybe we can find out, in the meantime, and give them an opportunity to get back to us with some answers on that, because I guess I don't think that...I guess, John or, Senator Lindsay, could I ask another quick question in that regard? In preparing this amendment...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR BROMM: ...before today, did you have an opportunity to discuss this amendment with cities or villages as a group or with the City of Omaha or with the City of Lincoln?