

give, Chris, if you need some more time, you can have this. I'll just repunch my light. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Abboud.

SENATOR ABOUD: Well, I'll just say in closing there that this last claim was the only one that hadn't gone through the State Claims Board and was not a part of LB 888 but the other bills were a part of the other claims...let's see, we had one, two, three, four additional claims that were originally a part of the bill. The committee rejected a number of claims that were submitted, that were a part of LB 888, some rather sizeable claims and it was under the, after hearing the testimony, that we were convinced that this was, in fact, that these were claims that were, in fact, needed and needed to be paid, so the committee recommended that they be made a part of the state claims bill in the form of LB 887.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Abboud. Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Madam President, members of the body, I rise to support the committee amendments to the claims bill and particularly the one that Senator Abboud addressed earlier, the erroneous payment of income taxes by the Knisely group and if there is a question on it, we have the committee amendment docket sheets. On page 2 it says the board action, and it gives a pretty good definition that Senator Abboud did as to this being a process that is necessary in claims of this size. It is something that had the...had the figure on this been less it would have been paid for by the other resources of the Department of Revenue but because of the size of the overpayment it is necessary to go this route and I would encourage the adoption of the committee amendments to include that claim. Thank you, Madam President.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Coordsen. Any further discussion on the committee amendments to 887? Seeing none, Senator Abboud, would you like to close?

SENATOR ABOUD: I waive closing.

SENATOR CROSBY: Closing is waived. The question is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 887. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. Record, Mr. Clerk.