

thing where maybe there's a justification for that. I don't know what it would be. Maybe there is a justification for that, but if there is, tell us so that we, as policymakers, can make that determination.

SENATOR BROMM: Okay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: And then tell us if we need a judge in Lancaster County, which has been in for three years, but we have to keep waiting for the...every time we hear it, it's let's wait for the Judicial Resources Commission, and the Judicial Resources Commission, by the way, has said Lancaster needs a judge.

SENATOR BROMM: Yeah, thank you, Senator Lindsay. I...I'm going to support the approach of Senator Lindsay's amendment, depending on how it's amended from this point on. There's been enough skepticism and enough concern about whether the commission has done what it was intended to do that I do think the hammer and the sunset is helpful. I think we need to do that, I think we need to give them a chance to do their job. If they don't, we can try another approach. I don't like the idea of just planning on doing all of the judicial apportioning on the floor of this Legislature. That, to me, would be like us taking over control of the activities of the Game and Parks Commission to a smaller degree. I mean, it's...it's the kind of thing that a commission can look at things based on data, based on information, based on workload, based on geography, that they ought to be able to do a better job than we. The political influences that we will have if we're making all those decisions, and we certainly will be without...without the intervention of a commission like that, will be...

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.

SENATOR BROMM: ...I think will result in...in possibly some problems with the apportioning of our judgeships. And I know we've had problems in the past, but I'm willing to give this a shot, let's give it a try and see if they will do the kind of reporting that Senator Lindsay is requiring them to do and see where we're at. I don't think we need to come in here and legislate each of the changes without a recommendation based on data from a commission that should be in a position to make good judgment. Thank you, Madam President.