

inquiry about your promise to come back at some future time and ask the Legislature to remove the sunset date, if it's appropriate, if the Judicial Resources Commission has performed. What I'd like to ask you about is, what do you think would justify a removal of the sunset date? There might be a series of things that the Judicial Resources Commission could do, for example, as directed in the amendment, they could issue a report by December 31st of 1995. Would that be enough to cause you to come back to the Legislature and ask for the removal of the sunset date?

SENATOR LINDSAY: If they issued a report?

SENATOR WICKEPSHAM: Yes.

SENATOR LINDSAY: It would depend on the contents of the report. If they issued a report that said everything looks cool, nobody has any dispute about any judge anywhere, obviously not.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Okay, so what you're implying, I think, is that they would have to come back to the Legislature with the recommendation that some changes be made.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Not necessarily, they could come back and say, we're not going to make any changes because the differences of 100 percent or more in caseloads is...we think is fair. If they came back and said that, I would have some problems about whether they were arriving at a rational conclusion. But I...do I need to have them move a district judge from a particular district to another district? No. Do I need to have them look very hard at doing that? Yes.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: So, Senator, what I take it is that you're more concerned about the process and the rationale than perhaps the results. Would that be accurate?

SENATOR LINDSAY: Yes.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Okay, so in terms of process and rationale, if they recommended to us or they caused changes to be made in the data reporting and collection system, that, I take it, is something that you would wish to see?

SENATOR LINDSAY: Yes, and that has already started.