

executive council, has no minorities, and it's just simply not a cross section in any way, shape or form of the community and that is who is going to be appointing these people to the commission. There are just...I see a lot of problems with the bill. I think at least with Senator Beutler's amendment it can...those counties that don't want to be under the weight of this bill can get out from underneath of it without...and still be allowed, I think, an equitable share of the state funds that are being considered.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Lindsay. Senator Kristensen, on the Beutler amendment.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Madam President. Evidently, I've not done a good job here of explaining to at least a few members what the bill does. Senator Lindsay, I don't do this...solely just so I can straighten this out, can I ask you some questions?

SENATOR LINDSAY: Yes.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: You said that the county would be under a burden. As the bill stands now, what burden is there on a county?

SENATOR LINDSAY: Pardon me.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: What burden is there on the county?

SENATOR LINDSAY: The burden on a county right...you mean under the bill or under current law?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: You referred to that there is a burden on the county.

SENATOR LINDSAY: If the bill is adopted, if the bill is passed, yes.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: What is that burden?

SENATOR LINDSAY: The bill would...the burden would be to operate under the whatever standards are set by the commission.