

it does, in fact, take out...clean up some of the areas that have been a source of controversy. I think that, as I spoke earlier, there's certainly a great need in the...one of the greatest needs is equity in the defense and prosecution of criminals. And it looks to me like as much as I've read it and I haven't gotten it as thoroughly as I could have, but it looks to me like from what I've been able to read that it does, in fact, take out some of the language that was...seemed to be of some controversy, and so I would hope that the body would, as I will, read it more carefully in relationship to the green copy and, of course, make up your own mind, but certainly I would hope that you would support the Kristensen amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Vrtiska. Before the next speaker, I'd like to call the Legislature's attention to the north balcony where Senator Janssen has, as his guests, 72 fifth and sixth graders from Grant Elementary School in Fremont, and with them are their teachers and principal. Would you all please stand up and be welcomed by your Legislature. Thank you. Senator Wehrbein, on the Kristensen amendment.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Madam Speaker and members of the body, Senator Kristensen, I would like to ask you a couple questions, some of them that were...I had thought of similar to what Senator Hall asked. And I guess I'm going to see if I have the grasp of this right. The commission will be formed as part of the \$500,000 to provide let's say for ease of consultation and advice to counties for capital cases. What I'm not so clear on is where...then you use the word deductible, which caught my ear. I think I grasp the concept, I mean, it's similar to deductible, it's not,...

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Yeah, I think that's...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...it's a way to grasp the concept.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: ...I think that's an easy term to use so people, and granted, that's what I'm saying, I'm looking at doing that on Select File to make counties participate. People want the counties to buy into this system.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Okay, what my...that's...what I'm not clear on, if this group exists for the advice and consent and is part of the half million dollars, where more money would come in for