

amendments. Senator Hall, to debate the committee amendments.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President and members, the committee amendments contain 1587 which is Senator Kristensen's amendment, which Senator Lindsay just attempted to amend and received approximately 19 votes on it with a number of folks who were absent or not voting. I believe that it was a compromise amendment that could have gotten this bill off of General File and people would be able to work on it between now and Select because I don't think it impacted the intent of the proposal as introduced by Senator Kristensen. There are a number of things in the measure that, I guess, have to be taken individually now and be addressed one at a time and that is unfortunate because that means we're going to spend some time on it, but that's fine. That's not a problem. The question remains as to what, for me, what is the purpose of the mandatory requirements we place on the commission as well as those that we place on the chief counsel? Many of the requirements spelled out and found on pages 4 through 7 of the amendment are issues that have absolutely nothing to do with the intent of the proposal for purposes of offering support for indigent defense at the county level. I will attempt to draft an amendment to pull those out and I'll do that as soon as the time is up here, but it's not an attempt to delay the measure. I think that the Lindsay amendment was a good one that probably should have been adopted for purposes of sending the bill over. With that, I intend to vote against the adoption of the committee amendments at the present if there is no further debate. Hopefully there will be some debate and we can try to amend this before it becomes the bill, but we'll just have to do it on a piecemeal basis.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Hall. Is that an amendment to the committee amendments? There is an amendment that has been filed to the committee amendments, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator Lindsay would move to amend the committee amendments. (FA151 appears on page 1684 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members, this is the amendment that I withdrew prior to moving to the amendment that was just defeated. What this amendment would do, and it was passed out this morning, it should be on your desks or in your