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LB 490

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Okay. I'm going to try to draft an amendment that would...and if we want to.... Mr. Clerk, could I ask a question, please.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Mr. Clerk.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Mr. Clerk, are there any other amendments filed after the Vrtiska amendment?

CLERK: No, sir.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Senator Vrtiska, we could do one of two things. We could either withdraw your amendment and have you offer or I could offer an amendment to make that...strike that reference, or we could finish on with the discussion on your amendment and see if the body would accept.... It's probably cleaner if you withdraw yours and let's put a new one in there so we don't amend our own amendments.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Yeah, I think I agree with you, Senator Kristensen. I don't have any problem with withdrawing my amendment. My amendment was for the purpose of bringing out a point, and the point has been brought out. And I think we can work together with what you're doing and I'll help you with. And given that, I will ask for permission to withdraw my amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The amendment is withdrawn. We return to a discussion on LB 490. Senator Vrtiska, your light is first.

SENATOR VRTISKA: I just turned my light on because I was listening to Senator Chambers. He thinks that I don't listen to him, but I do. And I heard him talking about the salaries over in Iowa compared to ours. And the thought came to me that according to his version then those people are three times better than we are because he said if you pay more you get more. And using that logic, I guess those people are almost three times better than we are, and that kind of bothers me. But if Senator Chambers wants to make that implication here that the senators over there are three times better than we are, I guess he has that right. I certainly disagree with him, but I still...well I just disagree with him. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Vrtiska. Mr. Clerk.