

achieve and if that connection cannot be established we should not require whatever it is we were thinking about requiring. So I want to thank Senator Landis for his remarks this morning and you all can thank him for the bill that I propose to bring.

**SPEAKER WITHEM:** Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Maurstad.

**SENATOR MAURSTAD:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Just one comment for those that maybe missed it when we introduced the amendment first... first off. I also have pledged to Senator Robinson and Senator Avery and now it appears Senator Chambers has joined that...that crusade to take a look at the public notices. The Press Association is aware of that, that pledge on my behalf, as the introducer of this bill. They recognize that we're going to look at that and treat that as reasonably as we've treated 418.

**SPEAKER WITHEM:** Senator Kristensen to close on the advancement.

**SENATOR KRISTENSEN:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, and of course, Senator Chambers, you provide me with a wonderful opportunity to comment about the bulb in your head and when that went on I'm sure obviously over here that we didn't see that light. I assume that's due to the wattage and certainly nothing else. It's very interesting, of course, to talk about small newspapers and large newspapers and to talk about how that notice isn't what it's all cracked up to be, but let me tell you some of the things that a notice really does do. It tells you when a petition has been filed against you to declare you incompetent. It tells you when the final day is that you may be able to collect a debt from an estate that you may not know the person's passed away and it also provides that estate with the protection that after that date those debts are no longer good. It adds finality. It tells you who in your community is running for office. It tells you who's going from a partnership or an individual at work at going to a corporation with limited liability. That notice also tells you what your city council did when you couldn't get there because you were home. That notice also tells you about how much money your government was spending and you didn't get a chance to go. It also tells you when your house is being foreclosed upon when it's been wrongfully listed in the newspaper, which has happened to me recently. People do read those. They don't read them every day. It isn't as entertaining as some of the comic strips. It certainly isn't as entertaining as perhaps some of the editorials, but it's informational. It's the foundation of