

Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Hall. There are two senators lights on, Senator Kristensen and Senator Chambers. Senator Kristensen to speak.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature. Senator Hall, if I could just enter into a dialogue so I understand. You and I have had some discussions about this matter earlier.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Hall.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Could you give me your plan or your idea of specifically where we may be looking, because obviously I agree in concept of what we're doing and what your amendment is. However, I suppose that there's a lot of other branches of government we've got to deal with here and before we upset the entire apple cart it seems to me that space on the floor that the Legislative Chamber is at particularly, I guess that's the second floor, would be more convenient for the Legislature to have simply because of the proximity of the Legislative Chamber, some of the Clerk's Office and some of those administrative things that we do, that obviously would be in the area of the Attorney General's Office and that area. They obviously are split now in a couple different buildings, too. Would that... is that where we're looking at going or is there not a predetermined plan?

SENATOR HALL: Mr. President, members, Senator Kristensen, just stop me when you want me to stop. The second floor is probably full, as full as it can get anyway. And I don't interpret this amendment or any plan out there where we would move a constitutional officer out of the space that they currently occupy. So the space that I would envision that we would be looking at would be first floor space. As you well know a few years back we made a decision, and I believe both of us were sitting on the Exec Board at that time, I know I was, where we moved all of the legislative offices down to the first, second or third floors. They are now all out of the third floor. There was only one office on the third floor. The plan, as we put it in place a number of years ago with the Exec Board, was to have all of the legislative offices on the first or second floors of this building. And the first floor would be the space that would be available and that I would envision we would be