

with the jobs that they...the responsibilities that they have now that by adding to that would only make it worse.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Would it be your judgment that the...that with respect to parties that may be located in distant parts of the state, for example, that the county attorney or the Attorney General would be the person most likely to make a fair assessment of a local situation?

SENATOR MAURSTAD: I believe that the Attorney General would have the...

SENATOR WILL: Time.

SENATOR MAURSTAD: ...ability to work with the county attorney's office, in those cases, under the current system.

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Hillman.

SENATOR HILLMAN: Yes, thank you. I'd like to change the tint of the questions here just a little bit. I don't know at what point is really appropriate, but I feel like I have to ask the question. Going back again to the constitution and looking at the definition of syndicate and there's...to me there seems to be some diametrically opposing wording that I think would be difficult. We're talking here about corporations and that the Secretary of State when there is anyone that has filed as a corporation that would be able to do some follow-up. In the constitution, though, in addition it also says...includes the word "syndicate", and the meaning of syndicate shall mean any limited partnership organized under the laws of the state. It goes on then about the degrees of family membership and so forth, and then the last line of that paragraph said, "This shall not include general partnerships." Okay, because also in the bill it does not include general partnerships either. But if you go on to the next paragraph, it talks about a family farm. The restrictions shall not apply to a family farm or corporation. Now I would like to read you one sentence out of this paragraph, but the whole paragraph is one sentence which is another reason that I have some real huge objections to this constitutional amendment is just the way and the form that it's written. But what it says is a family farm or ranch corporation, family farm or ranch corporation shall mean a corporation engaged in farming or ranching or the ownership of