

support, and this is supposed to be the bill that we're introducing in the state of Nebraska that's, one, going to increase the payment of child support; and, two, going to increase that to a level of effectiveness that it takes the burden off of some of our social programs, then I at least think we should be able to have that information available to see if that cost-effectiveness is even occurring. So, this amendment would be to have the director report an annual cost to the administrate...to administrate the License Revocation Act, so that we have that information available to see if we're actually doing what we want to do with the passage of 592. So I would ask for your support for this amendment. I think it's something we should be doing more often, and asking more often is what we're doing...does it...I don't want to discuss the good or the bad of it, but I do want to start discussing the cost-effectiveness of it, because you can do something at one end of the spectrum that doesn't relieve the costs at all at the other end of the spectrum. So are our costs going to continue on our social programs, or are they going...is there going to be some relief, or are we just paying a bunch of money to try to enforce the payment of child support to some level where really we've kind of had a neutral, a wash in the situation, which still even a neutral situation would be, in my opinion, favorable because at least then you're reinforcing that responsibility of these individuals, and definitely I'm in favor of enforcing individual responsibility if necessary. But I still think it's something that we should have the opportunity to be able to view and to put the statistics together and know if what we're even doing here has any impact whatsoever. So that's what this amendment would do, on page 12, line 17, to insert, "the Director shall report on the annual cost to administrate the License Revocation Act. And I would like your support on this. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Witek. Senator Beutler, on the Witek amendment.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, another report, more bureaucracy. You know, other than that it may not be a bad idea. No, Senator Witek, I'm kidding of course. But...but it's been interesting on different matters, in particular the water bill, that people complain about the complexity of government and bureaucracy, and complain, and complain, and complain. In the next minute the very people who