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those who may be responsible for an innocent person having his or her license, whether drivers license or professional license or both, suspended or revoked or both. I see nothing wrong with our saying, as the Legislature, that when a program we create does harm to an innocent citizen, we will build into that program redress...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...by which the citizen can be made whole.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Madam President, I yield my time to Senator Beutler.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Beutler, we are on the Chambers amendment to the Witek amendment to LB 592.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Madam President, members of the Legislature, I have to smile because of...this is kind of the creation of...the real victim here is the child who is not supported. The real victim here is the woman who is trying to support a family on her own. The real victim here is the welfare system which is over burdened because people don't pay their child support in part. In that sense, you and I are the victims. And, suddenly today we are trying to turn this whole thing around and say the victim is the person who doesn't pay the child support, he is the victim. He is not the victim. Every noncustodial group I have ever talked to said, we think we should pay the child support, no doubt about it, we don't mind being forced to pay the child support, or we don't mind you forcing people who are not paying to pay. They should be paying the child support. And, yet today we are losing our focus and getting off on this stuff about the records aren't good enough. Well, if the records aren't good enough, why have they been good enough to enforce wage withholding with regards to wage earners? Douglas County couldn't do that? Douglas County has been doing that all along and they have been doing it with the same set of records that they will do this with. That is a bunch of bogus, in my opinion. I don't know who is spreading these phone calls and this misinformation, but if it is Douglas County they better get their act together and do what is in the benefit of the taxpayer and do what is in the benefit of the children. They do have the