

twelve million dollars a year. I wish we could have a much longer debate on it. I wish it were possible to structure amendments in a way that they all could be heard, in fact that is why we had the rule change before so we could hear all of these amendments. But, this is not one of the five major bills, the amendments can not be heard and the point of the matter is this amendment will never be heard again this session except for this one time. This is its one opportunity. The Witek amendment represents another philosophy, an old philosophy, the bill is conservative in the sense that it adopts the administrative procedures methodology, that I think it is fair to say the courts would not want to be involved in all of these things except as the ultimate arbitrator between the enforcers of the law and those whom against the law is being enforced. The judges are not out of the picture. Even with what we call administrative procedures the judges are ultimately there for anyone who thinks they are not getting a fair, a fair hearing. They are always there. The courts are always there in the end. This is not a more complicated process. In fact that is why this process works, notwithstanding the number of words in each amendment, this administrative procedure is actually simpler and more efficacious than going through a contempt procedure. Because contempt procedures involve for example one thing, trying to get the courts time. As many of you know in some...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minutes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...places you can't even get in to see the court until a lot of times passed. Sure, those who are being forced to pay might feel the pinch. But when someone who is relying upon child support misses one month's child support they are feeling a pinch, and when they miss two, they are really feeling bad, and when they have missed three they are by and large in deep trouble and their kids are in deep trouble and the system needs to figure out how to give them more assistance for their sake and for their children's sake and for the taxpayer sake for all of our sake. I hope you can see fit to adopt the amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you Senator Beutler. The question before you is the adoption of the Beutler amendment to the Witek amendment to LB 592. All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Senator Beutler.