

in the way of mischief is likely to occur, and there would be a more direct redress and we would have an identifiable person, the judge, who is...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ... (interruption), is responsible for whatever is done in any case that comes before him or her. It doesn't spread out like the spokes in a wheel and we don't know who exactly is responsible for child support not being paid in a given case or a license being inappropriately suspended. I hope you'll vote yes on this reconsideration motion.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The question then before the body is, shall the adoption of the Beutler amendment to LB 592 be reconsidered. All those in favor of reconsidering shall vote yes, all of those opposed shall vote no. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 17 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to reconsider.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The Beutler amendment is reconsidered. My interpretation of the reconsideration action is that the action taken previously to adopt the Beutler amendment has been reversed. We are now back as if the amendment had not been adopted. The Beutler amendment, consideration of the Beutler amendment now then is before us. For discussion on the Beutler amendment, Senator... just one second. For discussion on the amendment, the Chair recognizes Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I'm not going to argue the issues involved in the amendment but the way I hope we will vote. The thing that is before us now that we're voting for is whether we're going to adopt Senator Beutler's amendment. However we avoid getting twenty-five votes is what I hope we will do, if people simply don't want to vote or if people vote no so that his amendment to Senator Witek's amendment is not adopted. If his is not adopted, then we have before us the amendment that Senator Witek offered, which would put it in the hands of the judge. So that is the only point that I want to make, but I want to emphasize that based on the discussions we've had before, I hope your vote on this motion is no. By voting no, we do not adopt the Beutler amendment, which in effect replaced Senator Witek's amendment. So I'm asking