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PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator. Senator Chambers, do you wish to speak to the Bernard-Stevens amendment?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President, members of the Legislature, I was talking, Senator Bernard-Stevens, to Senator Kristensen when you explained your amendment. Is your amendment to remove this language you were just talking about?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: That is correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That was the concern that I had earlier. And I had touched on it when Senator Beutler had an amendment where he was putting a duty on the county board. But here's a question I would like to ask, first of all, who put that language in the bill, so I can ask that person a question? Is this one of those motherless, fatherless children, like Melchizedek, who had neither father, nor mother? An Old Testament priest, that's who Melchizedek was.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...me, Senator Chambers, I don't know, I'd have to yield to the committee to see where the language came from.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Senator Warner, I will ask you the question. Let's say that we're going to, in order that I can get to this question, some of the county board members don't even want to put forth any effort. Let's say you have a seven-member board, three of the members want to, and four of the members don't, so no effort can be put forth and no action can be taken. Are all of the members to be removed from office, because this speaks of the board, not individual members.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: I would imagine, Senator, that through judicial proceedings that only those who refuse to act would be subject to the proceedings.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now I haven't looked at these statutes that you reference. Is that what the statutes say, this 23-2001 to 23-2009?