

the court problem. Senator Wickersham and others think that the court problems are going to be caused by some phantom out there who's going to bring these people into court. That's totally against all the school districts and everybody else who's involved in here. They're not going to go against their own retirees and take themselves to court. It's not going to happen. They're not going to go to court and take themselves to court. It's just not going to happen. I feel more sure that that's not going to happen than if we go into the Supreme Court and ask for an opinion and then we have 600 people...if one Supreme Court decision goes against us and we have 600, then we will have 600 people going to court. But right now, I don't think anybody is going to challenge this. The Attorney General said if anybody challenges his opinion, he will go to court with that individual who has challenged his opinion because this is his opinion. And that would be the one court case challenging his opinion that we have resolved the issue. That's a way different course of action to take than this one in 343 of going to the Supreme Court. And if it doesn't go our way, it's going to be a whole big mess in my opinion. I think we have a resolution here to the problem already and we have the Attorney General saying that and we have Mr. Clatterbuck saying that. And my reasons for putting this in was to bring all this information forward, get it on the record, have the Legislature, which I acknowledge these are...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR WITEK: ...very difficult issues to understand. I've served on Retirement for two years and before that time I had very little working knowledge of these issues. Now I have a little bit, maybe a little bit of knowledge is dangerous but enough to know that I think that I agree with the Attorney General. I agree with Mr. Clatterbuck. LB 343 goes in the entirely wrong direction and I wanted an opportunity to bring all this information to you. I would like the opportunity to have this in, but I really hold out little hope that it would be adopted so I'll pull the resolution...or my part of the resolution, my amendment at this time. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: You've heard the closing. The question before the body now then is...oh, she withdrew it. Okay. Most of you were listening to the closing, obviously I wasn't. The amendment is withdrawn. We are now back to considering the