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it's found, and placed in storage, it's a cost to the municipality that has it done. The sooner that they can rid themselves of it, the less the cost. And, as we all know, we never have to worry about dollars; dollars take care of themselves, it's pennies, it's the small amounts. These are costs to municipalities and, therefore, for that reason, I ask that you vote affirmatively on my amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Debate on the amendment? Senator Hilgert.

SENATOR HILGERT: Thank you, Mr. President, members. I was going to ask Senator Bromm a series of questions regarding that \$250 limit. And, lo and behold, Senator Tyson amends the bill to raise it to 500. Therefore, I need not go into any discussions with anyone, but simply to say I certainly support and commend Senator Tyson for his amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Bromm, could I ask you a couple questions, if I may, both with regard to the amendment and the bill generally? First of all, we had a bill earlier in the session already that makes the state liable for any mistakes that they may make in certificates of title, right?

SENATOR BROMM: Administrative or ministerial errors, right, yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay, and I assume that certificates of title made out with regard to abandoned property and/or unclaimed property would be under that provision that makes the state liable, if they make a mistake. Is that correct?

SENATOR BROMM: It wouldn't be that clear I don't think, Senator Beutler. What we were dealing with in that other bill were clear mistakes, clerical mistakes, that was the intention of that bill. Now, if you're talking about procedural errors, let's say a law enforcement agency doesn't give the requisite notice that this bill requires, certified letter, 30 days notice, if they don't do that and they dispose of the vehicle or take it into their own possession to use it, I think under the general Tort Claims Act they would have...they could have a