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SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. President, at this point in time I intend to withdraw the amendment, not because it's a bad amendment, not because it's not logical, not because it's not common sense, and not because it's not the right thing to do, but because there have been apparently some intricate negotiations on this matter, and the parties want to discuss further this particular amendment and other things. So to save us time on the floor, I think it probably makes sense to withdraw the amendment, and of course there is always Select File. So I withdraw it.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The amendment is withdrawn. For discussion on the advancement of LB 839, Chair recognizes Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I will not take my entire five minutes, because I said basically what I had hoped to get into the record. But with the removal of Senator Beutler's amendment from consideration, the one bone of contention connected with this bill has been taken away at this point. And I'm appreciative of the fact that Senator Beutler, Senator Brashear and others will discuss Senator Beutler's amendment before the bill comes before us again. Because the more of these technical matters that can be worked out by those interests that are most directly involved, the easier it is to manage the discussion on the floor, because then we focus on what the bill is actually going to deal with rather than fighting about what might be added or what might be taken away. However, if those discussions do not result in an agreement, then we'll just go ahead and battle through it. But it seems to be to me that the attitude of the body is to move a bill, such as this, so that that large gap that exists between the county judges and all of the other types of judges will be closed over a period of time. My feeling is that if it's right to do a thing, it's right to do it now. But as a Supreme Court decision said many, many years ago, the Legislature often proceeds timidly and by baby steps, that's paraphrasing. So these baby steps that are contemplated in LB 839 ought to be digestible, mixed metaphors, to everybody.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Brashear, you're recognized to close.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Mr. President, members of the body, I think