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SENATOR CROSBY: ...this...what we're talking about. I think NSEA, I may not be completely correct, I think they already have some provision where if somebody doesn't want to...want some of their dues to go for political candidates or something they can say that,...

SENATOR LYNCH: Sure.

SENATOR CROSBY: ...can they not?

SENATOR LYNCH: Yes.

SENATOR CROSBY: I think so, yeah. Also, when it comes to the state, what if a state employee says I'm not going to pay that \$20 and I'm not going to pay dues and you can represent me in court and so on, so the state comes back and...the union comes back and sues to get that money back? Say, maybe Senator Beutler would be of help to us here too, Dan.

SENATOR LYNCH: Um-hum.

SENATOR CROSBY: Who would they sue? Would they sue the employee or the state? Senator Beutler, do you have a thought about that?

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Beutler, would you yield to a question?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Crosby, the...I don't know of any exclusion in the bill, and Senator Lynch can correct me, that would exclude state unions, so they would be under the bill and I don't know who would be the...I mean they would sue, the union would, if they did not want to pay.

SENATOR CROSBY: Yeah, they would sue the employee.

SENATOR BEUTLER: They cannot lose their employment. They would sue, the union would sue the employee for the dues.

SENATOR CROSBY: So the bargaining unit for the state wouldn't have to come in and defend or...defend that person.