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side of the issue. He's looking at the side of the husband who's going to buy the machinery or the equipment and in very many...or in some cases he's undoubtedly right. There might be some unfairness there. There's a cost there that should be recognized, that should be studied, that should be part of the commission's work. The other side of the coin is that if you're a lawyer representing the wife you wonder are you getting manipulated. Now, the decision as to whether you're going to buy 75 or 100 thousand dollars' worth of new equipment is a very serious decision for anybody in farming or ranching, and the fact that that would eliminate the liability for child support just might tip the balance. There's a process or a possibility of manipulation to the disadvantage of the wife and the children, and I've been on both sides of the fence too many times and what you want is you want a degree of fairness. You do not want a situation where one side or the other can manipulate the facts or make financial arrangements that are going to throw fairness out of balance. And I'm sure that, as Senator Baker has illustrated, there are cases where costs of machinery and equipment are not properly accounted for, but we're not going to solve that by tipping the balance one way or the other. I think the only fair thing to do in this case is to bracket this issue. I think it will serve the purpose that Senator Baker wants served, and that is a careful examination of how this matter should be treated. And I agree with him that there may be defects in the guidelines. I support the idea of Senator Crosby's bill that would revamp the way we consider these matters. And certainly Senator Chambers is absolutely right--do no harm. That's probably the best advice this floor has been given in this debate. At this point, we should bracket this matter. Let's not tip the balance one way or the other until there's adequate time to really study it and refer it to the appropriate commission or authorities to do so. So I would support the motion to bracket.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Matzke. Senator Beutler, on the bracket motion, followed by Kremer, Baker, and Coordsen.

SENATOR BEUTLER: You know, on the matter of lawyers, I just noticed the other day that compared to Legislatures nationally we now have a greater percentage of lawyers in our body than most Legislatures do, so that troubling fact, well, you'll just