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this model legislation. And I think we ought to think ten times before we accept the broadness that is encompassed throughout this committee amendment. It is a little bit difficult to deal with because it's all over the place and throughout it.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Why do we want to approach welfare from this angle? I mean, I don't understand why we want to buy assets and approach welfare from this angle for housing alone, much less why do we want to create another little DHS, Health and Human Services, with this kind of broad language enabling them, if they can gain the resources to do it one way or another, the very same sorts of things that our...that our Health and Human Services agency is supposed to be providing.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time.

SENATOR BEUTLER: It seems to me this leads only to confusion.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Discussion on FA202 to the committee amendments to LB 105, Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Mr. President, members of the body, I don't know where to start because I'm confused and I sense many are also. This is an awful big chunk to bite off on Tuesday morning and, if I may, I don't want to...I don't want to chastise anybody, but I would like, Senator Brown or Senator Hartnett, would you mind...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Brown.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...I'm sorry to do this, start...start over again as to why we need this bill and, first of all, is there a mandate from the federal government that we would have to do this?

SENATOR BROWN: No, no, there is...the federal government passed legislation, there was model legislation that accompanied it that each one of the states could adopt to bring them in...more in line with the federal legislation, but it does not...it is not a requirement. It just is that, you know, as the federal