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original study, that only looked at cost. That's a very, very big difference. And in fact, in the original study they had a summary of open-ended responses to questions. And there was one, are there any other issues related to child support payments, receipting and disbursement, that you feel should be considered in this analysis? The response, the consensus on this question is that personal service plays a large role in determining the efficiency and the effectiveness of the current...

SENATOR COORDSEN: One minute.

SENATOR BOHLKE: ...child support system, and is not considered in this analysis, I repeat, is not considered in this analysis. I think it's important, in fact I think it's our responsibility as state senators that the efficiency and effectiveness of the current child support system, with regard to customer service, be considered as we're designing what's best for Nebraska. I believe that the Kristensen amendment takes that into consideration by looking at the new study. I think that was a real flaw in prior discussions we had, good things that were contained in LB 637, but something that I thought certainly piqued my interest and why I got involved in this. And I do not think...

SENATOR COORDSEN: Time.

SENATOR BOHLKE: ...AM1775 certainly was a compromise, as far as I'm concerned, and did not address this issue. Thank you.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Bohlke. Senator Beutler, please.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Coordsen, members of the Legislature, it's an unfortunate circumstance that we haven't come closer together today because I feel like there are good parts to both amendments and we need to mesh them together. But let me tell you why I think adopting the Kristensen amendment is a serious, serious mistake, because I believe, and I'm willing to say it without even looking into the cases, that this bill...that this amendment is unconstitutional in terms of the separation of powers provision. And the sentence I'm talking about is the