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it is done on a partisan basis and it has embroiled the judiciary in the worst kinds of political struggles because those who make large contributions to the judges are usually lawyers and big law firms, and it is expected by the public that the judge is going to rule in favor of these who give the donations, the contributions. And that is one of the strongest arguments of requiring judges to become politicians. The Attorney General is going to be involved in more actions than...

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...any individual judge. And Senator Schimek did not make one statement that I could say, and I listened to her, has any bearing on the desirability of having this be a nonpartisan office. If people see an attorney general, they shouldn't say, that is Republican Attorney General So-and-So, that is Democratic Attorney General So-and-So. There should be nothing when we are talking about administration of the law that brands or labels the one who is to do that work. So, again, I hope you will see the validity of this bill and advance it.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Further discussion of LB 510, Senator Wickersham, followed by Bromm, Schmitt, Tyson, and Smith. Senator Wickersham.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Madam President. I rise in support of Senator Chambers' bill, and I do so for a variety of reasons. First of all, I don't think any elective office belongs to a party. People who are elected to office are elected to serve the people of the constituency that elected them. They are not elected to serve parties. Now some people believe that that's the way it should work and some people want it to work that way, particularly those who control the parties, because if candidates who are elected actually serve the parties, then they serve only those who control the parties, and that, of course, is an inappropriate model and a model that we abandoned a number of years ago when we created the nonpartisan Legislature, a system that I think has been very, very, very successful in serving the interests of the people of the state, rather than whatever the interests of a particular party might be. The other issue that I think is important in the context of Senator Chambers' bill is that, indeed, you do elect an Attorney