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be awarded in these cases. And Judge Murphy and Judge Rowlands in Lincoln County did not request or desire documentation as to time in connection with this. So what has happened is that the county attorney did submit to the committee documentation from the various attorneys who represented defendants in these matters, setting forth the...generally the fees that they charged for matters similar to this in the defense of these matters, which was far in excess of what the county attorney was being reimbursed by the district judge. And so it's a little difficult to put someone in a position of meeting the documentation requirements of the Business and Labor Committee when that was not the documentation that was requested or required by the district judge to whom the claim was submitted and who ordered that they be paid in those specific sums of \$500. So there were a number of claims in Lincoln County. Why are there so many claims in Lincoln County? And that's...number one, Lincoln County has a very proactive law enforcement department, and they've had a high rate of driving under the influence. And they have a very proactive defense counsel group that has, you might say, made a business out of defending these matters, a good business. And the problem is that the county attorney has to defend these matters by law. So...defend the administrative law hearing. So anyway, I have informed the county attorney that the documentation submitted was...

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: ...apparently determined by the committee to be inadequate, and that the claim would not be approved. It bothers me greatly that we have an order of the district court providing certain compensation to the county attorney for these services that are rendered. And Lincoln County, by the way, is one of those counties where actually they more or less require the police officers to be there and to testify. They have the documentation that they have to go through. They have the interviews that they have to do in connection with these hearings. And so they have just been put in a very difficult position by the Business and Labor Committee, to submit to their requirements, or its requirements, as to how they should document these claims. And all I can tell you is that the affidavits that were submitted by the attorneys on the other