

TRANSCRIPT PREPARED BY THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE
Transcriber's Office
FLOOR DEBATE

March 16, 2005 LB 588

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Time.

SENATOR Dw. PEDERSEN: ...because you broke it the last time; why can't you break it this time? But I've got more issues. Thank you.

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Thank you, Senator Dwite Pedersen. (Visitors introduced.) Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Would Senator Beutler yield to a question?

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Senator Beutler, will you yield, please?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Sure.

SENATOR SMITH: Senator Beutler, in my previous discussion, I said that it was my perception, based on my experience on the issue, that we had basically arrived at a truce of requesting information and obtaining information in a cooperative manner rather than trying to establish the authority in two different places to effectively obtain the same information. Am I being unfair? Am I being inaccurate? What would be your perspective on those assertions that I've made?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator, if I understand them, they're simply not accurate. But elaborate a little more on what it is you...how it is you think we're impinging...well, do you think we're impinging further on the Auditor? Is that your perception?

SENATOR SMITH: Well, and I heard you say earlier this morning that you're wanting some of the same authority...

SENATOR BEUTLER: Right.

SENATOR SMITH: ...to obtain confidential records.

SENATOR BEUTLER: It's a parallel authority procedurally, Senator. It's not the...oh, I may have confused you. I'm sorry. It's a parallel authority having to do with procedures