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want done, done. I'm going to get my two cents worth in early here and sit back and listen. I've been around the circle on this. I've been involved... I was on the county board, as many of you know, 12 years; city boards and whatever. This issue has been around. Does it need to be done? Probably not. It's going to boil down to dollars. going to boil down to dollars. But as I'm sitting here listening to Senator Beutler, and I've heard several times before, and I've heard from the district courts, I've heard from judges, I may be coming around maybe to saying, hey, maybe this might not be a bad idea after all. Some of you might not agree with that, but I may be coming full circle on this one here. I'm going to listen. My mind can be persuaded either way here, as many of you know. Will this come down to dollars? It might, it just might. Can we afford it? Can the state afford to do I know the counties right now, it costs many dollars to operate the district court, as we all know, but does it need to be done? Probably not. But should it be done? Will the average person care? No. The average person does not even know probably what we're talking about here on this issue. issues are black and white. This one is not. And will they care in the future? Probably not. They probably won't care. And as long as we're doing our job, that's what we're here for. We're going to listen, we're going to learn, and we're going to hear many people talk on this issue, unless I'm wrong. This is what you call a very, very debatable issue, and it will be debated, and maybe not solved. It hasn't been in the last few years, but I may be coming full circle on this one here, so right now I'm leaning about maybe 50.1 percent toward Senator Beutler and we're going to listen here. We're going to learn. But anyway, I do know one thing. The district courts are doing a great job now, so some say if it isn't broken don't fix it. But has time come? I'm going to learn here. So I'm going to listen. So if you want my vote you're going to have to really be persuasive here, but I just might be there. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Senator Brown.

SENATOR BROWN: Thank you, Mr. President and members. Well, I am 99 percent in Senator Beutler's corner on this bill, and I am 99 percent in Senator Beutler's corner because I believe that we have a constitutional issue here. You cannot require an entity