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and you have problems with them, what it is to get any changes made. So I have problems with that. Part of the problems I have is they...the state is supposed to take over this, and they will do the funding. And I have a long enough memory to remember when the state was going to take over the county assessor jobs. It started out, they...some of the counties went in to having state do the assessor work, and first thing you know, they run out of money. And it was supposed to save money to start with, and now, why, it's shown that it's going to cost more money if we go ahead and do that. State didn't have any money, so they had to kind of junk the idea, or put it on hold, and consequently, that went someplace else. So when you get...start working on these district court clerks, there's probably, no doubt, ways it can be more efficient. As Senator Beutler has pointed out, there's a lot of Internet service coming on now, and computer work done. Part of the problem is, is out in the western end of the state, you don't always have Internet service everywhere. So it will take, certainly, a number of years till the technology catches up out there. And I'm sure it can be done in those areas, too. Usually, with these situations like this, if you let the people that are involved work towards their own ways or whatever ingenuity they have, they'll eventually solve the problems themselves, and they'll probably do it so that most everyone is satisfied, and they usually do it so that it's the most economical process in the end. A case in point is some of our health services that are done out in the western areas, and some of those were used as a model for the rest of the state. So I question whether this is something that really has to be done. It's worked at the present system we have. Right now there's many of these counties that are sharing these people. And we have...our district judges are getting fewer all the time out there, have to travel the miles. But we do need local people in local areas for some of the court filings and that sort of thing. So I feel that I probably will not support this amendment and the LB 529 that it takes the place of. Thank you, Lieutenant Governor.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Senator Loudon. Senator Janssen.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of the Legislature. You know, on the surface, this seems to be a