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work.

SENATOR McDONALD: So in other words, basically it takes care of those that are not, so to speak, bad actors, are not doing what they need to do. It takes care of that inaccuracy?

SENATOR FLOOD: Yeah. As I understand it,...and certainly, in my area, our district court clerks do a wonderful job, and I believe the judges are very pleased with the relationship they have. But as I talk to folks around the state, it seems that there may be one or two or three district court clerks that are not in line with where the Supreme Court wants the district courts to be going. And this would give the highest court the ability to pull their ticket if they don't follow the rules, and to say to the county voters of whatever county, you know, we have revoked the license of this individual serving as your district court clerk; now the county board must appoint somebody that also meets the qualifications, and at the next election you must have candidates that meet our requirements to at least run, and then follow our rules if they want to keep the job.

SENATOR McDONALD: So in listening to that, if the real issue is taking care of those counties that are not responding correctly to their position, then this would clarify that that would take care of their problem. And so the...if we're dealing with just that part of it, Senator Flood's amendment takes care of that problem. If this is another attempt to take away local control, then if that's the bottom line behind the bill, then that's what's happening. But if we adopt Senator Flood's amendment, which is taking away those few counties that are not doing what they need to do in this position, we've solved the problem. So I recommend that we pass Senator Flood's amendment. And if we don't do that, we need to vote against the bill. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator McDonald. On with discussion. Senator Synowiecki, followed by Senator Stuthman.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: Thank you. Thank you, Senator Cudaback and members. Senator Beutler, would you yield to question, please? Senator Beutler, I have questions relative to the court fees. And if I'm understanding the bill as it's written currently, the