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SENATOR BEUTLER: ...on the bill. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler and Baker.
Senator Stuthman.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. I'm not going to take a lot of time this morning, and I would make a comment to Senator Beutler that my amendment is not to prolong the issue, and I'll talk just a little bit about it right now. And it is to strike Section 2 of his amendment, and that part of it is with the bailiffs, the bailiffs for the district court. Why do I think the bailiffs should go along with the expense of the district court? Because those are people that are hired, you know, by the county, you know, in the district court. They are people that escort the people into the courtroom. They escort the judge in. They are more or less, I would call, part-time people that they hire to take care of, you know, the courtesy part of the district court. I realistically think that is a portion of the district court. Their function is with the district court, so I think that should also go with it, you know. In his amendment, Section 2 says that they are not going to be part of it, and they are not going to go along with the expense. So if those people are still bailiffs of the district court, they're going to be expense of the county, with no chance of getting any revenue back, you know, to subsidize that portion of it. Another thing that I want to talk about, I know Senator Baker has said that, you know, NACO is in opposition of it. There are several district court clerks that are supporting this, and three of those district courts are right in my local area. My county is one of them. But I listened to many of the other counties in the state of Nebraska, and I think, realistically, since the clerk of the district court is under the jurisdiction of the county at the present time, I think the county, the county officials--county supervisors, county commissioners--are the ones that I listen to as to whether they feel that it would be worthy for them to go under the state jurisdiction of the Supreme Court. The county boards are the ones that know how much expense goes into and how much revenue is generated. There have been a lot of comments made to me about, you know, what about the additional expenses