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of it is that the State Disbursement Unit is going to take the checks and send them back out. I think, you know, all the same day, possibly, overnight. The customers are going to call the Voice Response Unit for questions, and it's, basically it's two separate people going to be calling, SDU, the employers are going to be calling SDU to make sure that things are right, and the customer is going to be calling the VRU. I never once had it in my mind that these were one and the same, tied together in any way, physical way, other than through CHARTS. So I don't see the problem. We can move this out, put it wherever. I don't think the State Treasurer had any inclination, I don't think he has the room in the building here. I think what are they talking, 10 or 11 people in the SDU, I believe, and 31 child support people, plus 14 field reps for the VRU, so they are not going to be tied together physically in any way, shape, or form, whether it be building or anything else. They're going to be linked through the CHARTS program and that, I believe, is it. And if it's up and working, they're going to, the network is going to take care of the distance problem. That has nothing to do with it, they won't be in the same building anyway. So I support Senator Bourne's amendment. I think it will work and work well. With that, I'd return the rest of my time to the Chair. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Baker. Senator Chambers, on the Bourne amendment to the committee amendments to LB 972.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I don't see Sheriff Schmitt here today, so he may not be here, but, oh, I was listening to him talk the other day, and all of a sudden, I thought I was hearing Johnny Cash. So the next time he gets on the mike, I want him to drop his voice an octave or two and give me a verse or two of "I Keep A Close Watch On This Heart Of Mine" or "I Walk The Line", either of those will do. And, if you don't do it, I may be prevailed upon to do it, if there is a groundswell of support. (Laugh) I was told by two people, don't hold my breath. Members of the Legislature, Senator Bourne has brought us a proposal. I have said in the past, and "Baron" Tyson made note of it, although nobody else did, that the makeup of the Legislature is changing. At some point, there will be more urban senators than rural/ag senators.