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have this bill taken care of at this time and I would also move to--I'll wait. The Great White One has stood up. Are you going to oppose it or what?

SPEAKER: Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: I want to be helpful.

SENATOR BARNETT: Thank you. I'd appreciate that.

SENATOR CARPENTER: All I'm saying, that I think you better pass the bill. They may lose their tax exemption if you don't because there is no way in the world insofar as I have been advised in which you can let a tax exempt building be used by people in the field of a private enterprise or private endeavor. Now you can do that, I presume, presumption, if you advocate that area which will be taxed and I think this is--you're on firm ground and what you're doing, I think you're doing a favor, not only to the hospital, but to the doctors, whoever are in the hospital, so I rise to--this is not a non controversial bill in my--it's a necessary bill. I support it.

SENATOR BARNETT: Well I appreciate that concern and I would move--do I ask for the committee amendments to be adopted first?

CLERK: Adopt your amendment to the committee amendment.

SENATOR BARNETT: Okay. My amendments to the committee amendments and I can explain them both. They suggested from the hospital board that we put the word "lease"--well, why don't you read them Vince. Take them one at a time.

CLERK: Alright. The Barnett amendment (read)

SPEAKER: Senator Barnett, I have two lights on here. I don't know whether they're going to say they're controversial or not. If they are, then we're going to pass them over.

SENATOR BARNETT: Fine with me.

SPEAKER: Senator Duis.

SENATOR DUIS: No, I, I don't--I just want to ask a question of Senator Barnett. I want to be sure--I'm a little like Senator Carpenter, I want to be sure he's on firm ground. In a hospital now, have you inquired as to their outpatient room where a doctor will see a, an accident victim or someone else or if they have an outpatient room where a person can go and the doctor will come in that room and sit down with them and diagnose from this and that and then send them a bill for it. Now, are you sure you're alright on it? I'm with you with what you're doing but I don't want you to get in trouble.

SENATOR BARNETT: Well, I have checked with hospital staff and attorneys that helped write the bill and this is what we talked about--outpatient, inpatient care and we hope we have it written to cover that, Senator Duis.

SPEAKER: Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY: Senator Barnett, I wonder if by any chance the Industrial Development Department's had a chance to look at this. The reason I ask--

SENATOR BARNETT: Who's the Industrial Development Department?

SENATOR MURPHY: Well, some fellow named Stan Matzke, I believe.