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LB 478

SENATOR PIRSCH: Yes, thank you, Mr. Chairman. I think we should keep in mind that this only adds the arms to those provisions that the Legislature has already said that they feel are proper and as one of the persons who testified at the hearings said, someone in a wheelchair can wheel up to a workbench and work. I can walk up to a workbench but I can't work. Thank you. I hope that you will advance LB 478.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Beutler, do you want to speak to the motion to advance?

SENATOR BEUTLER: I would, Mr. Speaker. Another question of Senator Pirsch if I may, just so I have an understanding of how this bill works. Let's say for example we have a hundred thousand dollar house which is owned in joint tenancy between a husband and wife and the husband is disabled for one of the reasons outlined in the statute including your latest addition. Now does that mean that the first \$35,000 of that, and let's say for example that the wife is making \$40,000 a year. She is earning \$40,000 a year income and they have a hundred thousand dollar house. Now is the first \$35,000 of that house exempt under this law?

SENATOR PIRSCH: I guess in the first place I would question whether a woman would be making \$40,000 a year but...

SENATOR BEUTLER: All right, I will change it around. The woman is disabled and the man is making \$40,000 a year.

SENATOR PIRSCH: And would the first \$35,000 apply. As I understand it, yes it would. Yes, it would.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR PIRSCH: And that is what we are presently doing for those in that category.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the motion is the advancement of the bill. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. We are voting on the advancement of LB 478. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Senator Pirsch.

SENATOR PIRSCH: I am afraid I am going to have to ask for a Call of the House, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The question before the House is shall the House go under Call. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Record.