

of the board and makes a few changes. And what we did, when there was disagreement between a variety of the parties, we sat them down and kind of whopped them on the side of the head a lot and they finally agreed on everything and that is where we are now on the bill. The amendments are kind of the final compromise as to where everybody has agreed and, as I say, those that were wanting to disagree or in complete agreement on it, and the amendment does this, clarifies the prohibition against judges and county officials performing title abstracts. And Section 3 of LB 47 does not apply to county attorneys or deputy county attorneys now with the adoption of the amendments. The amendments would include a definition of "report of title". There is a little confusion as to what that meant, which in turn is used on page 5, line 17 of LB 47 to help define the term "business of abstracting". And so this amendment in effect provides an exemption for licensed attorneys. And we eliminate the sunset date for the Abstracter's Board, of course, which is what I said the main purpose of the thing is, and reestablishes the board and we add an emergency clause. And with that said, I would urge adoption of the committee amendments.

PRESIDENT: The Clerk will read an amendment.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Beutler would move to amend the committee amendments. (Read the Beutler amendment as found on page 644.)

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature. The part of the committee amendments that I am amending has to do with the definition of a report of title and the definition there is a very broad definition. I want to be sure that it is nobody's intention unintentionally to include in that particular definition title insurance commitments and policies. Otherwise we would be doing by the back door what some are seeking to do by the front door with another bill and, therefore, I would ask the adoption of the amendment which basically says, report of title does not include a title insurance commitment or policy. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Do you want to comment on the amendment, Senator DeCamp?