

SENATOR WESELY: If you'll look at the green copy, you'll see that it already has the fee increase applicable. This is just to clarify the fact that if we didn't have this Douglas County...

SENATOR HIGGINS: What page is your fee in the bill?

SENATOR WESELY: They're in a couple of different sections. Okay...

SENATOR HIGGINS: I realize your intent, but I don't want it in the statutes and I don't see any problem with taking out 300,000 population and just leaving the committee amendment to say "the local registrar for any county" need not forward the original certificate, et cetera, et cetera, et cetera, et cetera.

SENATOR WESELY: Okay, we...you're right and the language that we're adding there is just to clarify a situation and if you want to we can work with you on it, but I can tell you on page 10 you'll see that the fee increase is at the bottom of the page. They talk about that. Then on page 13 the fee increase is in there and so we already have...and then page 14, those increases are already in there, but because we exempted out Douglas County from all these other sections...

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Why did you exempt Douglas County out from the other sections?

SENATOR WESELY: Because we went to a different type of system in terms of birth certificates and handling of them and we went to a state system versus a local county, but Douglas County wanted to keep their local...

SENATOR HIGGINS: Because we have so many.

SENATOR WESELY: Yeah.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Okay.

SENATOR WESELY: So that's why it's separate because they are now separate from the rest of the state.