

must apply also or submit a copy of a birth certificate. I can just see it now somebody with two or three children, low income anyway, absolutely no money to buy food is going to have to put out now \$24.00 or \$32.00 to get birth certificates and I will speaking on that when Senator Chambers's amendment comes up to delete the increase in the birth certificate. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Marsh, please.

SENATOR MARSH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, we sound like we're going to have multiple copies of each child's birth certificate. The only time I am aware of that you have to give a birth certificate away is when you are applying for a passport. The rest of the time you have the certificate and you use it. You show someone to prove identity and then you keep it in your possession for the next time, assuming that you can hang onto it. It is not something that you have to give to this Phys. Ed. class and that sport. You are only using it and showing something from the certified copy and then keeping it in your possession and using it again the next time you need to have that copy. I am opposed to Senator Chambers amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Higgins, please.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, in regard to Senator Chambers' present amendment striking Section 2, I have visited with the introducer of the bill, Senator Barrett, and as he explained it Douglas County for years has not been sending the copies of the birth certificates and the marriage license certificates, but they have been sending in the money. And what this amendment does is actually just bring Douglas County into the statutes. In other words, make it legal what we've been doing illegally for a hundred years as Senator Barrett says. So with that explanation and because the rest of the bill, as I read it, does say that all counties will be paying the fee, I have changed my mind. I won't be supporting Senator Chambers' amendment. Let me also add this. As far as the marriage license certificate goes, 29 years ago I got married and I don't have any children, but I don't object to a part of a marriage license fee if I should ever get remarried, going to prevent child abuse. And the birth certificate I've already got. That isn't going to affect me, but I do think