

few areas in our commercial life, or in our business life where it is required that before a consumer deals with a merchant that the merchant has to give the consumer an elaborate list of rights. I think maybe there are a few transactions with banks, for example, where that is required, at least a couple of financial disclosures are required. But by and large, across our society, when you go in to buy something the merchant doesn't say to you, my friend, here are your rights, now what do you want. And if that is the kind of society we are moving to, generally, I guess that is a philosophic decision we need to make, but this bill certainly does point more in that direction. In any event, those philosophic things aside, my specific amendment, I remind you once again, is small in scope. Really all it does is say that the form that is being required by Senator Higgins shall be given before you enter into the contractual agreement. Of course, that is the point at which you are legally bound, so that is the point at which, if you are going to give a notice, or notice of rights, it should be before that point in time. So that part is retained. But it deletes that portion which says that that notice of rights, or list of rights has to be given before any real estate is shown, period. Again, I'm doing that because I think it simply is impractical. There are simply too many situations in the real world of real estate where it doesn't even really make sense to give that list of rights. And the open house situation, I think, is the best example where nine out of ten people, or eight out of the ten people that you are dealing with really aren't even interested in buying the house. So you are having them...you have to give them a list and you have each one of them sign a sheet saying he got the list. It is a big waste. I would move the adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the adoption of the Beutler amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record vote has been asked for. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Began reading record vote.)

SPEAKER NICHOL: Technically you may ask for a call of the house because the roll has not been announced.

SENATOR HIGGINS: I'd like a call of the house, please.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is, shall the house go under