

SENATOR WARNER: It says sale or lease...

SENATOR HABERMAN: Sale or lease, and it says in here.

SENATOR WARNER: Yes, but they haven't been able to find any leases...lessees.

SENATOR HABERMAN: It says in here that according to the Department of Administrative Services the building has been appraised at \$130,000. That is their appraisal. That is not a private firm's appraisal. Is that the same one that you have, the \$130,000?

SENATOR WARNER: Senator, I don't know who did the appraisal, but...

SENATOR HABERMAN: Well, that is the one that the Department of Administrative Services did and we asked for a bona fide appraisal by a firm. So I would ask you not to advance the bill until this body has an opportunity to see that. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Marsh, please.

SENATOR MARSH: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, Senator Haberman, it makes no sense to tie up the bill at this juncture. Common sense says we have to have a bill authorizing either the sale or the leasing of the property. That is a good business judgement. Obviously, it is good business to get the highest bid we can. But to tangle up a piece of legislation so that it may not be through when it is needed to be through is not good judgement. I will vote to advance LB 420 and I certainly hope Senator Haberman will help. There is no point in passing it on Final Reading until we have some of these answers. But there certainly is no point in tangling a piece of legislation up at this juncture when it is necessary to have this kind of legislation in order to benefit from the property. It is currently not being used. We want to benefit, whether that would be a lease, or a lease-sale, we need this as a mechanism. I would certainly hope that Senator Haberman would help us advance it so that we can have it in place at the same time we are getting the answers he would like to have.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Hefner, then Senator Goodrich, then