

which I don't know if they've ever been handed out. I got them copied once. They specifically say the Commonwealth people are waiving, giving up, surrendering everything and settling the claim for \$8.5 million. Now it says in there additionally they retain their right to go before the Legislature and ask for money on moral grounds or public purpose grounds. That is a right they have whether they ever signed a document or not. It is that thing which has been declared unconstitutional. But the settlement is 8.5 and that is what the amendment does. It divides 8.5, and the other claim, into two separate portions, and does it in a settlement procedure, in exactly the language of the court. While we deny any liability, we settle the claim for this amount, 8.5. On the 12 million the amendment does the same thing. It says, hey, there is no obligation whatsoever, and let the court judge. The reason I say this is because there is no way, legitimately, no way legitimately, any lawyer in this body, be he from Lincoln or elsewhere, there is no legitimate way that this Legislature can start writing laws where we make a bunch of false statements and then turn them over to a court. And that is exactly what the bill does. It is as if we are the insurance settlers, and I see nobody is paying even remote attention to this, but it is as if we are the insurance adjusters.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel.)

SENATOR DECAMP: And we go out and we see a particularly hard situation. We examine it thoroughly, which the Commonwealth Committee did under the guidance of Senator Johnson. We get all the facts, which we did under the guidance of Senator Johnson, Vard Johnson. Having gathered all these things we make our conclusions and file our report. That is what an insurance adjuster does. That is what we were doing. But now, now when it comes time to present the claim to the insurance company, we file a fraudulent insurance claim. As officers of the court, if we did it, we'd be disbarred. But as senators and lawyers we are apparently going to be guided into it, and we should be disbarred because that is what we are doing. We are filing a fraudulent claim before the court, filing fraudulent facts as "insurance adjusters", exactly contrary to what Senator Vard Johnson and our committee concluded. We are going to say completely false things to the court and then say, court, you can't look beyond these false things we are