

and this bill dealing with binding arbitration. The bill itself has gotten a little bit more controversial than what I thought it would. It has become a labor-management issue. I suppose in the future maybe it will become a labor-management issue, at least maybe not dealing with the school districts, but in dealing with some of the other groups that may come in later to add on or attach to this particular provision. I don't feel that it is needed at this time. I don't feel it is good public policy and I will oppose the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Lynch, then Senator Pirsch.

SENATOR LYNCH: Mr. Chairman and members, I'm sorry I must stand up and react real quickly. Something was mentioned by Senator DeCamp about the delegation of power and I just can't help but think in the old county board days how they delegated responsibility to housing authorities, for example, how they delegated responsibility to airport authorities, in some cases to health authorities. Does this mean that all of those things are automatically illegal? I'm curious, too, at the state level when we delegate from the Governor's Office and from the Legislature to the State Board of Equalization the power to make decisions. Is that a delegation of power? You see, we're muddying up this issue with a whole bunch of rhetoric. It doesn't have a darned thing to do with what we're talking about. We're simply talking about the powerful against the weak. We're talking about fairness. To be completely frank, I think this would offer an opportunity to a small employer or a school board against a powerful union or a single employee or a small group of people against a powerful employer. It seems to make sense. Howard Lamb mentioned we could maybe do away with the Court of Industrial Relations. I've got a better suggestion. Why don't we do away with the district courts and delegate their power to the Court of Industrial Relations. We can get rid of 40 judges and all their staffs, save millions, and then people can just go right to the Supreme Court of the State. You see, all this can be kind of silly, can't it? Let's just be fair, pass the legislation so that people can have the right to negotiate in their own behalf. That's all this is about.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Pirsch, please.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To tell you the