

SENATOR SMITH: But when you say include, you mean it could be other county judges than just Douglas County?

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Yes, under the current statute, any other county judge could already be transferred in, Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Okay, thank you. Then my next concern is...could I speak with Senator Abboud, please, and ask you a question, Senator Abboud?

SENATOR ABBODD: Yes.

SENATOR SMITH: Your concern I think is the same as mine is, Senator Abboud. I would agree with striking lines 8 and 9 but I am wondering if you shouldn't also then strike "any period as necessary", lines 12 and 13 also?

SENATOR ABBODD: Well, that is if the judge is temporarily disabled, I think you have to leave some flexibility in there.

SENATOR SMITH: So in other words, you would leave that in, in place of such absence or disqualified.

SENATOR ABBODD: Yes, as any period necessary, let's say the judge is disabled or disqualified to be the juvenile court judge (interruption).

SENATOR SMITH: I guess I like the stricken language better than I do the new language that was inserted there.

SENATOR ABBODD: Well, I do, too, but I don't know if it really makes any difference.

SENATOR SMITH: Well, it does to me. I think I don't like the idea of "any period as necessary" is too general, too vague to me, I think. It could go on forever.

SENATOR ABBODD: I would be happy to amend that section out also, Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: I would like to see that unless someone else can explain to me why that shouldn't be that way. Thank you. I would like to relinquish some time to Senator Higgins here.