

Liquor Commission have to go out there and defend, or the local political subdivision, the county attorney or the city attorney, whose responsibility, and where will the costs be incurred?

SENATOR HEFNER: I don't know. I will have to find that out.

SENATOR PAPPAS: I think that is a significant question to ask, if it is, because the bill is in an entirely different form now than what it came out of committee, and a similar bill that was in committee that it is now was killed in committee. In fact, I wouldn't be offended if the Speaker would refer it back to committee, but do you have the question now, the answer?

SENATOR HEFNER: I think I have the answer. My aide tells me that it would be up to the city and to the applicant so that means that the city or village, the one that denied them, would have to...

SENATOR PAPPAS: You are sure, now you are sure if the political subdivision denied the request, they denied the request, then the political subdivision has to defend it in court?

SENATOR HEFNER: I would say so. I think that is reasonable.

SENATOR PAPPAS: Then if the cities have a mass amount of denials, then it is going to cost the cities or the political subdivisions a larger amount of money to defend this, but on the other side, it will probably save the state a little money, wouldn't it?

SENATOR HEFNER: Senator Pappas, what makes you think that we are going to have a lot of denials? I think you are (interruption).

SENATOR PAPPAS: Because there have been denials in the past, Senator Hefner, and that is one of the reasons 911 was introduced is to try to clarify the law the Supreme Court struck down before. I think you know that as well as I do. I am just asking where you want to shift the burden and the cost, on the state or with the bill as it is...as it was, which would be very little cost, or put it back on the property taxpayer? I know you don't care but I am a little concerned about what the ultimate is going to happen because I think as somebody said a long time ago, they said, please forgive me, forgive them because they know not what they do. And I think, basically, we are in that position. I am not quite sure you really understand