

the family breaks up they can't just dispose of the children. I said, you know, they have to go someplace, have to be taken care of and someone has to do it. Now a lot of people do take care of their responsibilities, a lot of them do. They work hard at it and they sacrifice. And then on top of that they take care of someone else's children because a publicly elected official does not follow the mandates of this Legislature. You know, I am not going to go back and file actions against my clerks of the court. They are friends of mine. They are nice people.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR SCHMIT: But I will tell you what, they are derelict in their duty and if any other public official fell down on the job to that extent, they would be sacked. And I suggest that the most important part of this bill would be that portion of it, Senator Beutler, that enforces the mandate that if they do not do their job, that they shall be removed from office. In fact, you might get an amazing amount of compliance if you just throw a dart at the wall, take some county and remove some clerk of the court because I can tell you one thing, you can throw that dart at the wall of a map of Nebraska and whatever place it hits, that clerk will be derelict in their duty. I will guarantee it. Remove one from office and you might get some compliance.

PRESIDENT: Senator Vard Johnson. Senator Beutler is next.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I really have a simple amendment which really ought not to generate a tremendous dialogue about the malfeasance in office of clerks of the district court, county attorneys and other satraps. I will just tell you a real simple story. There are a lot of wonderful men in our state and there are a lot of wonderful men who obey the law, and there are a lot of wonderful men who get divorced and when they get divorced many of these wonderful men have to pay child support which is the right and moral and ethical and proper thing to do. And they pay their support faithfully, month in and month out. And then somewhere along the line they find another woman that they would like to make a life with and so they get married. And later on they decide they would like to buy a house and so they go to buy a house. Now, mind you, under my little story this man is absolutely current in his child support payment. He has