

whole broad range of people who are not trying to avoid the law but who are in fact genuine independent contractors and I don't think you want the child support lien to be wedged into the contract situation. Now maybe you do but I think that is an important public policy decision, and I suggest we are not ready for that at this point in time and I move that we strike that. Senator Johnson.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Vard Johnson.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: I have no further comments. I think Senator Beutler is essentially correct that that definition of employee goes much further than any person would believe and that is the reason that we would take the independent contractor language out of the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Higgins, please, then Senator Abboud.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr. President, I don't interpret that to mean the person who would be an independent contractor with Senator Hannibal in his house building business. The electrician that may have put out a bid to do the wiring on a house that Senator Hannibal is building, he is an independent contractor all right and he is contracting with Senator Hannibal, but if one of that independent electrician's employees becomes behind in child support, he would not be considered an independent contractor. He would just be another business. He would be the one responsible for withholding the child support, not Hannibal Construction or whatever the name of it might be. Independent contractor I believe is in the bill and so that we would know for legislative intent are these people that go out and they don't work for someone else so that it will be more difficult in order to perhaps garnish their wages. For example, I have an insurance license. Instead of going to work for an insurance agency, I could say, listen I don't want to work for you as an employee. You don't have to pay me any social security. You don't have to pay me any withholding tax, take out any of my taxes. Let me just bill you every month and I will be an independent contractor for the amount of work I do for you. That is the independent contractor we are talking about here. Independent contractors in this bill is not intended to mean and I think you have to stretch the imagination if you say everybody that is an independent contractor, that takes in every