

the Chamber. Thank you. Senator Ashford, Senator Lynch, Senator Cudaback and Senator Fisher, please check in. Would the senators please be seated. The house is under call. We are looking for Senator Lynch. We're still looking for Senator Lynch. We're still looking for Senator Lynch. Senator Will, we've still been unable to locate Senator Lynch. Do you wish...? Okay, we'll proceed with roll call vote on the Hall amendment to the Landis amendment.

CLERK: (Read roll call vote. See page 1685 of the Legislative Journal.) 8 ayes, 21 nays, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: The amendment fails I will raise the call.

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Lindsay would move to amend the Landis amendment. (Lindsay amendment appears on page 1686 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Madam President and members. Part of the balance of this bill, if there is, indeed, a balance, is that one of the things that in exchange for the workers giving up their right to, in my opinion, giving up their right to collect benefits because they will be, evidentiarywise, they will be in such a difficult position that their maximums will be big, they're just not going to be collecting. In exchange for that though they get the right to have safety committees at the workplace, but if I could just ask you to call your attention to the bill where the provisions of the safety committee, the workplace consultation program and all that kind of stuff exists in the bill, that their safety committees are created. Every employer in the state has to have a safety committee and if the employer doesn't create a safety committee, then there are penalties. Other than that, the safety committees have no obligations, no responsibilities, nothing, that's it. All this amendment does is require that these safety committees meet. Right now they don't have to meet, got to create 'em, but they don't have to meet. What this would do is add a new section which states each safety committee shall meet not less than once each calendar month. Adequate notice of the time and place of the meeting shall be given to each member of the safety committee. That's it. All we're doing is saying if we're going to have safety committees, it's probably not too unreasonable to require that they get together and talk and that's what this