

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President, and members, I rise...or rather I'm jumping to my feet to support the Beutler amendment and portions of the committee amendment, specifically the alibi portion. As you remember the debate the other day on a little bill that I had that was kind of worked out with the county attorneys but there was much discussion on, the alibi portion of the committee amendments was the deal that we talked about. I just wanted to go on record as supporting that portion of this bill as well as the entirety of the committee amendments and I believe that Senator Beutler's amendment to that amendment is simply a clarifying amendment and I would urge the body to endorse it. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Hall. Senator Hohenstein.

SENATOR HOHENSTEIN: I just...Mr. Speaker, members of the body, just a couple of questions so don't go away from your microphone, Senator Hall. You're part of this agreement and I want to make sure I understand what the nature of it was. This relates to 598. Was the...was the deal, as you mentioned, the committee amendments without any amendments or with amendments?

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: There was no discussion of amendments. Mr. President and Senator Hohenstein, there was no discussion of amendments.

SENATOR HOHENSTEIN: Okay.

SENATOR HALL: And if it was the thought that on the part of those who were interested in the alibi amendment that the Beutler amendment impacted that, I would then oppose it, but I would concur that that issue was one that was simply clarification, much like the portion of your amendment to my bill that I endorsed. And where you inserted first as what I consider to be a technical clarifying amendment.

SENATOR HOHENSTEIN: Okay. Let me ask Senator Beutler a couple questions. I...I'm not sure I have any opposition to Senator Beutler talking about this, I think, maybe a month ago. Can you give me a circumstance where a defendant...what the committee amendments do essentially is require a defendant...what they do is they prohibit a defendant from introducing evidence at a