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of the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY: Just a brief question of Senator Carsten, if he would yield. Senator, there is two things I don't understand. One, I don't understand what a certified assessment evaluator is. I am not sure what that designation is nor am I sure what the International Association of Amalgamated Assessors is that makes this award or permits this distinction. You say there are four in the state and that makes it rather a unique situation. I am curious as to what those qualifications are that the state has elected to make this award.

SENATOR CARSTEN: As I understand, Senator Murphy, this is a course or courses that these people go through and pass that in the eyes of the Department of Revenue are qualified to be classed as a certified assessment evaluator. It is an instructional course and one that sets them up and above the average assessor in the eyes of those people that are in that assessment field. It is an award that encourages people to become more sophisticated and more of an expert in that area as above the average run. It is purely an award and a recognition of those people that is above and beyond really the call of duty.

SENATOR MURPHY: Do you suppose maybe we could create some kind of an award for particularly aggressive Senators? I would like to apply. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Keyes, your light is on. Do you wish to speak to the bill?

SENATOR KEYES: Mr. Speaker, Senator Murphy gave me kind of...I wonder, Senator Carsten, are these assessors, is that county assessors or is that state?

SENATOR CARSTEN: No, county.

SENATOR KEYES: County?

SENATOR CARSTEN: Yes.

SENATOR KEYES: Now how many assessors and assistant assessors can a county have?

SENATOR CARSTEN: I beg your pardon.