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Games and Parks division. It would be the city and municipalities.

SENATOR VICKERS: It is not a political subdivision, is that what you are saying. It doesn't affect...?

SENATOR LABEDZ: That is right. It just affects them, not the Games and Parks.

SENATOR VICKERS: Okay, then what is the liability of the Game and Parks? Are they liable now?

SENATOR LABEDZ: On their grounds?

SENATOR VICKERS: Yes.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Yes.

SENATOR VICKERS: You are sure about that?

SENATOR LABEDZ: Well I am almost sure they are.

SENATOR VICKERS: And we are not changing that?

SENATOR LABEDZ: No, we are not changing that for the Games and Parks.

SENATOR VICKERS: Then I guess my next question is if they are not going to be affected, then why should we change it for the political subdivisions? Was there some evidence come out at the committee hearing why that should be?

SENATOR LABEDZ: If anyone is hurt on grounds that are owned and operated by Games and Parks they would have to go in front of the State Claims Board. This just pertains to the municipalities, the cities, counties, whatever that have grounds donated to them by a landowner for use only for recreational purposes, no other type.

SENATOR VICKERS: Okay, thank you, Senator Labeledz, I appreciate that explanation. I am not sure, however, that it satisfies my concerns. I did have some concerns over this bill and as I indicated I was not able to be at the hearing. Thank you very much.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator DeCamp, do you wish to close and we will take a vote before we adjourn?

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I don't want to kill this bill unless I can honestly convince Bernice and some of you others that that is what should be done and to do that I need to give you a bit of a history,