

because he had the amendment that deals with what...

SENATOR CROSBY: Okay, whomever would like to answer it. I just want to be sure that I understand correctly. It isn't that I'm going to argue with you about it, I just want to know. Okay.

SENATOR HALL: Senator Crosby, it was an amendment that I offered that clarified the homestead exemption that made a requirement that there would be an annual filing by applicants so that what you had was an up-to-date list with regard to who was eligible, because what was happening, in my case in particular my home, when I purchase it it was on the homestead exemption from a woman, I purchased it in an estate. No one came out, I could have kept that homestead exemption for probably two to three years had nobody questioned it. So what this does is it keeps the rolls up to date. I offered that amendment to the homestead exemption bill that the Revenue Committee had two years ago. What has happened is that there have been a couple of other cases similar to the one that you stated, because when this kicked in there were a number of people who weren't aware, even though they did receive notification in the mail, and I think that that will go away as people understand that the filing is an annual ritual that they have to take part in and that in order to keep that homestead exemption they must file the application. So it was a one year kind of education, it was a very expensive education. But there had to be some point in time where that kicked in, and unfortunately there were a few people that fell into that category that you described.

SENATOR CROSBY: Well I mean it's still, so none of this changes it, that's what I want to be sure of, none of this changes that.

SENATOR HALL: This amendment does not change that in any shape or form.

SENATOR CROSBY: And you think that's a good idea.

SENATOR HALL: I think that there has to be a necessary point in time where that provision for application began. We did that, we voted on it, we adopted it. Unfortunately, like I said earlier, there were a couple of people that fell in that trap and that is going to happen I think any time you make a change in a program such as that.