

summarize the changes that will take place in the fees and the commission per diems and the charge for taking the test, please.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Oh, God, we've got to go through all that again. Okay. The...we've got a guideline...

SENATOR SMITH: Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, he doesn't have to go through all that again, I'll summarize it. I want everyone in here to be assured of the fact that there is going to be an increase with this bill of a commission per diem from \$50 a day to \$100 a day, and that's what it will be on the license itself...on the exam that you take for the license, it can go up to \$100 from the present top of \$25 right now. And I understand there is a change that's being taking place in the fact they're having people coming in to do the testing right now, but that it can be increased to that amount. Now you might have some times where someone who is taking a test the first time around may fail and I would assume that they will be paying...they could pay as high as \$100 to take that test, they might fail that time and they might have to go back and study again, come back and retake the test and they would have to pay that same amount over again. In addition to that, you have an increase in the fee that the salesperson must pay to have his license and an increase in the fee that the broker must pay. So what we're doing, in effect, is increasing on those people that are out there in the actual process of selling real estate and increasing the fee for them at the same time as you're talking about a 100 percent increase in the per diem to \$100 for each time those commissioners need to do some work for their per diem work. And that's basically my understanding of what's in the bill. Now if that's not in the bill, then...and if there is anything in additional to that, I would like to give my time to Senator Goodrich and maybe go ahead and add to that, but he doesn't have to. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Mr. President and members of the body, I really don't have too much to add to what Senator Smith said. I just want people to be alert to the kind of changes that we're making here because this really is what I would call your average Joe or your average Jill bill. It does affect the little guy who wants to take a real estate exam. And I guess I don't have any problem with raising these fees but it is quite an increase. It goes from a stated \$25 to a not more than \$100,