

copy of the rule or regulation or any part thereof. Then the Standing Committee of the Legislature would review or assign a committee staff person to review the rule or regulation and make, if they so desire, a written or oral statement at the time of the legislative...or at the time of the rule or regulation hearing. It also provides that if there is a member of the particular Standing Committee that does not agree with that statement of the committee that they can also file a dissenting opinion, as it were, at the hearing date. This maintains a separation of powers but ensures that someone in the Legislature has knowledge of all of the pending regulations that are coming up, has the opportunity to review those regulations and has the opportunity to present their opinion in a formal way at the hearing. Now, granted, all of these things can exist today but rarely do we find that we're notified because most of the hearings take place during the interim of regulatory hearings. We could ask to be notified. This provides, I think, a smooth way of ensuring that notification, a way of calling attention by the knowledgeable people, the Standing Committee that heard the issue or subject matter of jurisdiction and to review those regulations. So, with that, I would be open for any questions.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: I would like to take a moment to announce some guests. Under the south balcony, we have some guests of Senator Schrock, his brother, Sam Schrock from Funk, Nebraska; Alan Neben from Lexington, and Arlen Olson from Elm Creek. Would you gentlemen please stand and allow us to welcome you to the Legislature. Thanks for coming. Mr. Clerk, I understand there's an amendment on the desk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Coordsen would move to amend his bill. Senator, your amendment is on page 522 of the Journal.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Senator Coordsen, on the amendment.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. President and members of the body, this amendment is added on line...page 2, line 25, after the period, and it is current language out of 84-907, the Administrative Procedures Act, and it states that "No person may challenge the validity of any rule or regulation, the adoption, amendment or repeal of any rule or regulation, or any determination of the applicability of any rule or regulation on the basis of the information provided pursuant to this section." And what that means in my kind of language, I guess, is that in the case of someone bringing suit or defending in a