

SENATOR WARNER: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Is there a reasonable relationship?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: I like to believe so, Senator Chambers, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And I think there is too. And that qualifies under this definition without interpretation as an honorarium. You are rendering a service. You are a public official. The service has nothing to do with what you do as a public official or the duties placed on you as a public official or you couldn't receive it anyway. So you have to report all that you earn as a lawyer, everybody else in here has to report everything they earn as an honorarium. You all need to think about what the language says. I understand what is being attempted and I understand what is intended. But when we do things to try to placate people who have no regard for us anyway, and, Senator Withem, I know this bill applies to the other branches but we're the ones who are presumed to be the thieves and the wrongdoers.

SENATOR WARNER: Time. Senator Morrissey, followed by Senator Hartnett and Senator Chambers. Senator Morrissey.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members, I don't want to drag this on but I do want to say there is definitely a need for LB 232. The amendment does cause me some concerns, I guess. Senator Chambers, would the first line, for the purposes of Section 49-1480 to 49-1492, and I was just trying to go back and get the statutes on that, would that explode your last argument that my payment as a railroader, since it isn't official service as a public official, would that throw that argument out or not?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, if...you can't be...you cannot receive anything for those things you're required by law to do as a public official.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Okay.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Since you are a public official, anything you receive that has value...you know, you receive something for what you performed would be an honorarium and what you get as a worker on the railroad, I think would have to be an