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SENATOR ROBINSON: And no room?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: No, after the discussion on the floor I understand that the State Office Building does have a place in the basement of the State Office Building.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Ever been by it, ever walk by it?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: No.

SENATOR ROBINSON: You ought to try it sometime. Anyway, thank you a lot, Senator Schimek. I rise...I'm like Senator Hall on this amendment. I'm a purist because I know Senator Hall is not a purist all the way through on this bill, but I'm a purist. I don't think we should have rooms. I know Senator Hall smokes a stogie once in a while, he and Senator Will light up stogies once in a while and I used to light them up years ago before I had a health problem. But it seems to me that aren't we just endangering the health of other people? I mean, here we're going to get a smoking room. You know you never get that smoke out of there. It's like the old smokehouse in Blair. You go in from the alley and then you walk out the front door, you never stop and then you've got a smoke stench on you. I just...I think we're doing the wrong thing when we have...let them go outside and get some fresh air and let that smoke go up in the air and I agree with Senator Hall. I have a problem and I discussed it with Senator Preister and I just believe that there should be no smoking, there should be no rooms. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Robinson. Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President, members. I rise in opposition to Senator Schimek's amendment and if she would respond to a question.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes.

SENATOR HALL: Senator Schimek, would a smoking room be required to be accessible and I'm thinking in terms of the ADA.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: I hadn't thought about that, Senator Hall, quite frankly.