

could conceivably be, you know, all of the people in a several square mile area. My concern would be what would happen if there's a requirement that they all receive certified mail, that we miss one, would that then allow a disgruntled individual access to tie up one of these projects in court for several years? The idea of requiring this notification to be done by certified mail is one I cannot support, so I will not be voting for this version of the Coordsen amendment. But if we can either have some discussions or other approaches come up that provide for different forms of notification that would be as effective, I would be happy to look at those, but I will not be supporting this particular amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Withem. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President and Senator Coordsen and members of the Legislature, this is one that I missed. I was looking at dinosaurs, Tyranosaurus Rexes and whatnot, and here was one of these small ones for whom I have so much concern that I missed. Not every landowner is going to be a huge corporation or a school within 20 miles of the border of this project, but would be ordinary people. Senator Withem said he would consider other types of notice. Maybe what they should do, and this is not meant facetiously, go door-to-door, say that they must give actual notice to the landowners. Then they can decide how they want to give that notice, but it must be actual, meaning that the person must, in person, be notified, there must be a direct contact. Maybe these people who want this project would feel that it's important enough to have people go through the neighborhood, canvass it, the area that's to be included. And maybe this issue that Senator Coordsen is bringing to us, and considering Senator Withem's response, lets us know how much territory, in fact, may be encompassed in one of these areas, it could be considerable. Maybe what I said earlier about an entire city, I'll add a village being involved, is not out of the question. There should be this notification. People do not own property absolutely. The government can take that property. I say they have absolute right to take it, absolute power, not right. All they have to do is state that it's for a public purpose. And even if after they take it for that purpose they don't carry through on it, the government I'm talking about, the people have still lost their property. And the experience, the terrible one that occurred in the area where I live, and it extended beyond my district, was when they were building the north freeway, when they were building I-80, I-480, so it dealt