

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you. Senator Withem, your light is next.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Yes, Madam President, Senator Chambers always said words need to be construed very carefully and understood very carefully. Senator Chambers, you indicated that I might have some questions for you, number one, and, number two, you said if other people had questions for you, you'd be happy to answer them. Does that mean that if I have questions for you, you won't be happy to answer them? Okay, you'll be delighted instead of...yes, Senator Chambers, as I understand this amendment of yours, what it does is it further amends the section that you had amended previously in the day with an amendment. Your concern at that time was that the board might be a rubber stamp, simply looking at the definition of blighted and substandard and applying that without any discretion involved and that this amendment further refines that. And with that understanding, as I understand, and you can use the rest of my time to respond if I have a correct understanding of your amendment, right now it appears as though the only thing that this board is to determine is whether or not it meets the rigorous defini...and they aren't all that rigorous, but the definitions of blighted and substandard. This would allow them to impose other factors that they would feel may or may not improve or detract from the public interest, and if that's the case, I'm not going to have any problem with the amendment, but if you would respond to my characterization of your amendment I would appreciate it.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Withem, three things, three options, either I explained myself very clearly, either I explained myself very clearly and you listened very well, number three, or you're a mind reader. I hope I said it as well as you did, but I don't think I could have said it any better. So I feel that you have very accurately stated what my intent is.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Is there any further discussion of the Chambers amendment? Seeing none, Senator Chambers, do you wish to close? Closing is waived. The question before the body is the adoption of the Chambers amendment to LB 830. All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Please record.