

SPEAKER WITHEM: ...his amendment might have impacted on this, I'm not sure.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, okay, but let me make the point that I wanted to make since I have one minute. That constitutional reference that I had so much fun with, because it was difficult for me to figure out what it was saying, had talked about the intention to declare the area blighted and substandard and the property within that area blighted and substandard. So the school's buildings and everybody else's building is considered blighted and substandard and could be taken for the purposes of this bill. All the schools are allowed to do is file an objection and their objection will be considered but they do not have veto power. And my time is up so I won't prolong that.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Yield to Chambers.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Hall. I'm looking for that constitutional provision that referenced to it...all right, it would be on page 11 in lines 11 and 17. And forget the way it reads up to the point that I'm trying to get to. If the board approves such area application, that application is to have this area declared blighted and substandard for the purposes of this bill. Then for purposes of Article VIII, Section 12 of the constitution as applied in the act, the designated blighted and substandard area is considered blighted and substandard and the property within such area is considered, as determined by law, to be substandard and blighted property. So there need not be two declarations here. You don't have to declare the whole area blighted and substandard, then zero in on specific property and declare that blighted and substandard. Once the whole area is declared blighted and substandard, every piece of property within it is blighted and substandard and that's why when I was talking to Senator Maurstad, I was...well he and I talked off the mike, that any area, any piece of land could be encompassed in this bill, even the area that includes the Capitol Building because if you declare this area blighted and substandard because they want to build apartment complexes, businesses, or anything else, the Capitol Building by that declaration is declared blighted and substandard, every piece of