

SENATOR JONES: Um-huh, um-huh, um-huh.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: And it would be, according to this bill, the Attorney General who would put us on alert about some of these takings.

SENATOR JONES: He would put the agencies on alert and our Governor, yes.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Do you think that could have a chilling effect on agencies?

SENATOR JONES: I wouldn't think so. I would think that they would not want to get involved in something that would cause a taking.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: But there's nothing in this bill that says, on the one hand, that an agency, if alerted by the Attorney General's Office that this was a taking, there's nothing that would prevent them from going ahead and promulgating those rules and regulations anyway, is there?

SENATOR JONES: That's right, that's right.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Do we...do we have a real finely tuned definition of...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: ...of takings? It's my information that, you know, a lot of takings issues are still being decided in courts. I mean I guess what I'm getting at is, do you think, under this bill, that we could possibly get an Attorney General who may interpret takings differently from maybe the way a court would?

SENATOR JONES: That's very possible, we might change Attorney General's. I mean...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Do you think that when it comes to environmental regulations that the agencies might get scared off on some of the rules and regulations, perhaps, depending on the political situation at the moment?

SENATOR JONES: I suppose that could be possible, yes.