

say, now that was a good speech. He was constantly a teacher for me. I don't think he ever got out of that mold, but he was also all the time a student. He was a wonderful man who took great pride in serving us, the lobby and citizens who came to our public hearings. He will be truly missed, but I believe he's watching right now, he just has a little better perch and a great view to see how we conduct ourselves.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Hall. Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Madam President, members of the body, I think the speakers already have captured the essence of Bill Tallichet and I don't know if I can add to it, but I think that Bill was intertwined with many of our lives. I know that our own Lieutenant Governor taught school with him at Irving Junior High School. My son was a student of Bill's at Irving Junior High School and, you know, he was just a very special person to me and my family because of all the things that have already been mentioned. My husband and I both taught History and Government and so we always had really good conversations with Bill and he had the same interest in a lot of ways that we did. He really cared about his students. He cared about what happened to them after they left Irving Junior High School. He was always interested in what happened to Sam. He really cared about the subject matter as has already been illustrated and he loved being with us here, and I'm sure, I mean there were many days when I could sense he was just as frustrated as we were with the amount of progress that we had made on a particular bill that day, but he just loved it. He was just so engrossed in what we were doing down here and he always, I mean it's like Senator Hall said, he did kind of critique you and it was often with the eyes, but sometimes it was with words. I mean sometimes he gave you real positive words of encouragement when you had done something that he thought was particularly good and his wife was just as interested as was mentioned. One day he mentioned to me that his wife liked my new haircut or something, I mean, she was watching us all the time and I'm sure she is today and I hope that she understands how special that we thought Bill was and how positive he was and what a good influence he was on this Legislature. He'll be sorely missed.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Madam President, members, it's been good to listen to the number of senators who have gotten up and talked