

section on page 9, we put it back...we add that part back in that is needed by Bill Drafters.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. Senator, I understand your rationale. On the other hand, I would...I would continue to argue for the amendment, unless somebody can stand up here on this floor and tell us how you can sell something you don't own.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Schimek, your light is on. Thank you, Senator Schimek. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I support Senator Beutler in what he said, and I support his amendment. And, Senator Dierks, I don't have any idea why somebody would put that in either unless it may have been for the reason you gave, but I am not going to tie myself to that because I am not sure, but I can't figure any reason why it should be there unless it is based on a little rhyme, the philosophy of it, that I wrote and handed out to you, which you probably forgot. It was when I was in one of my religious modes, which sometime will come over me, and it had to do with the miracle that Jesus worked when he turned water to wine, and then it said that the wine will reverse the miracle by turning the wine to water. So maybe that's the kind of water they are thinking about taxing, but unless they have a distiller's license, or a brewer's license, then they shouldn't be in that activity, in any case. So whether it is what I was thinking, or what Senator Dierks opined, I don't think that that is good language that should have been in the law originally, and since it has come to our attention, and nobody can justify its being there, and there is no basis for it, we ought to go ahead and clean this part of the law up. There are many things in the law that many of us are not aware of until somebody tries to amend a bill. Then we see something in existing language which is not being touched by the bill before us, but we see a need to change it. I want to use the rest of my time to touch on something that Senator Hudkins mentioned about cheap food. One of the reasons that food doesn't cost more than it does, I am told, is because of farm subsidies, and that has given us a basis to continue agricultural welfare. However, when comparisons are made between the percentage of a person's income that is spent on food in America, and the percentage of a person's income that is spent on food someplace else, there cannot be a comparison. If you have a higher wage that you're receiving in America than what somebody else is receiving someplace else, this percentage