

perhaps over the weekend to look at those concerns to get a sense of more of what's going on with the neighbors and to work at some type of reconciliation or to make what we may be passing in legislation that we won't necessarily have to live with but which they will have to contend with and live with, a little bit less of a problem for them or in some way be able to take more into account those concerns? And if my question isn't real clear I guess I'll just briefly restate it, that I hope that there's going to be some opportunity soon to be able to sit down with the people who have the real concerns that live in the area and I'm asking if that will be something that you will be looking at doing and can do.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Senator Preister and members of the body, I already have been doing that. I have been talking to a lot of the residents. I have received letters, have answered letters from the people in the area and that was one of the questions I asked them. I said, why wasn't there anyone from the particular area that we're talking about at the public hearing, and they said... because I said it is published in the paper. You...do you have at least a week's notice or whatever the requirement is. It is printed for you and that is your opportunity to come down and tell us why you like a bill or why you don't, and they all said, well, we had better things to do, we all have to work for a living. Well, if it was that important to them I would have thought that probably at least a representative from the area would have been here. Now if they just did not see the notice, you're right, that's not our fault, but we did give them ample notice and they have been coming forward, as they have heard about the bill, giving their concerns. Some of them we have been able to assure them that there is no problem. We have explained what the bill does and they said, all right, I understand, that will be fine. Others have said, no how, no way, huh-uh, and you're going to have people like that. Some people are not going to like any kind of a change, whether it's a good change or a bad change, and I guess the idea of whether this is a good change or a bad change is in the eye of the beholder. I have some people that are never going to like it. In fact, they have told me so and they have told me and they have told me what they're going to do next year when it comes election time. That's their prerogative. I have been straightforward with them. I told them why I brought the bill. They said, well, you know we don't like it, why don't you just drop it? And I said, would you want me to have, if you brought me a problem and I agreed to take this problem on because I