

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'll get mine correct...straight here in a minute. Oh, I see.

CLERK: Page 28, line 27.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That was the last one. Do you have one up there starting with page 29, line 27?

CLERK: Yes, sir, I do.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Well, I will take the one you just gave first because that one has been handed out. I just want to keep it straight which is before us. Members of the Legislature, this amendment is the one that was handed out to you earlier at the time I was discussing the other amendment which was rejected unceremoniously. And here's where the amendment would be found. On page 28, in line 27 we would strike the period and this is the language that would be added. A comma would be placed after "confirmed" and this new language would follow the comma: "but no such appointees shall continue to serve unless confirmed by the Legislature during the legislative session next after such appointments." And here's what it means. In case some people or a person would be appointed with the knowledge on the part of an appointing Governor that the person or persons would be totally unacceptable, under the existing language those people would continue to serve until confirmed and, even though the Legislature would never confirm them, they would continue to serve. So, in effect, the existing language allows for the defeating of the purpose of the language and the purpose of the language is to require that these appointees be confirmed by the Legislature. So if you have that amendment before you, all that it would say is that if these persons or if a person were to be appointed and not confirmed by the next session of the Legislature after that appointment that person or those persons could not longer serve. If you agree that these persons should be confirmed by the Legislature because that's what the language indicates is to be the case, you will vote for this amendment. If you are of the opinion that a Governor who is clever enough to read the language as it's written and appoint persons knowing they will not be confirmed is able nevertheless to have them serve a full term because they do continue to serve until confirmed, you'll vote against the amendment. If you believe