

They're under the south balcony. Would you like to be recognized. Thank you for being here. The next speaker on the Hillman amendment, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President and members of the Legislature, I turned my light off, somebody turned it on, but I'm going to speak anyway because Senator Schmitt said something earlier that I will ask him about. Senator Schmitt,...

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Schmitt, will you respond?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, he's going to his mike. Madam President, I want everybody to notice that I haven't been discussing things this morning and it doesn't seem that the train has progressed very far on the tracks, so you all stop blaming me for your inability to get from point A to point B. Senator Schmitt,...

SENATOR SCHMITT: Yes, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...when you were talking about various fees, you remind me of a position that I've regularly taken in opposition to continuing to increase fees, and I consider them to be hidden taxes. On that score we might more or less agree. Did you say that if the fees continue to be attached in this fashion, that hunting and fishing soon may become rich person's activities, basically?

SENATOR SCHMITT: Well, basically what I said, Senator Chambers, if we keep increasing these fees that it will become a rich person's sport.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, that it will, not that it may, that it will.

SENATOR SCHMITT: Yeah.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: You know what? Senator Schmitt has given the strongest argument for me to be in favor of quadrupling fees. And the only reason I say quadruple, I don't know if quintuple or sextuple or any of those words, or octuple, are valid words. But quintuple I feel is one. I'm opposed to hunting. I'm not opposed to people using animals for food, clothing, and things of that nature. But to kill because you have a weapon that will allow you to kill an animal is abhorrent to me. To take the fur