

a large extent I do oppose striking the words.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Alright. Members of the Legislature, again, I'm looking at a bill which contains surplusage. We always put language in a bill, which the introducer will admit, adds nothing to the bill. Nothing. We cannot diminish the legal responsibility of a trustee. We cannot...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Time. Senator Chambers, your light is next.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. We cannot make their duty any more binding or stringent with this language than it is without this language. Why does the Legislature always feel it has to put meaningless words in a bill just to make a point? We don't have to do that. It's a redundancy. We should also put in the law then that these board members shall not include in their plan a scheme by which a dishonest board member can embezzle the funds. Let me ask Senator Bromm a question. Senator Bromm, do we consider inappropriate for somebody handling this money once it takes a liquid form, do we want them to steal that money?

SENATOR BROMM: No.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Then should we put in the bill that we don't want this plan to contain a scheme by which this money can be stolen by a board member or a staff member who might be dishonest? Should we put that in the bill too?

SENATOR BROMM: I don't think you need to because the statutes say where the money goes specifically.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, then why do we have to put this in the bill when the law makes it clear that the fiduciary duty must be complied with? Why the one but not the other?

SENATOR BROMM: Because I...the history of the sale of school lands, which has been a long history, Senator Chambers, and one which has continually been challenged. Any time the Legislature has tried to do this has been challenged in court. And oftentimes the decisions, or at least the primary decision, went off on the fact that the Legislature was requiring them to do something in violation of their fiduciary duties. And so I want it to be clear that we want to structure it within the confines of their fiduciary duties. If they come back and say, that's