

would be the only thing you need to have a natural disaster. And any county where that occurred would be over the first hurdle. Then if they have other financial difficulties, the horse would be in or out of the barn, whichever direction you wanted to look at it. That's why I'm saying when it comes to this definition of disaster, I want to be sure that we're talking about something that is widespread. We are giving an artificial definition of the term here. We are tailoring it, we are customizing it. Between now and the time we decide whether we'll do anything else on it, on Final Reading, I'm going to look at this because I know what I had in mind when I offered the amendment. I hope that I argued it when I presented the amendment. But the fact that the language is now here and Senator Maurstad has talked about other subdivisions that might want to get in, I think that's what he had talked about, I was engaged in other things so I may have missed some of what he said. But if that's not what he said, I have consistently and regularly mentioned that others may try to come in and I couldn't blame them. Everybody wants to spend less money than they're now spending and have somebody else pick up the tab, if that can be arranged. So I want to be sure that in the definition of disaster we're talking about widespread problems, not just one individual being killed, even though we know that life is important,...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...that may be a disaster to the person or his or her family, but it's not a disaster for the purposes of this bill. The destruction of one barn, or one house, or one vehicle is not sufficient based on what it is I'm looking at. So, Senator Vrtiska, that's...if that's enough said, the area of concern that I'm facing right now.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator. If we could, we'd like to pause for the Clerk to read a couple of things into the record.

CLERK: Mr. President, the Education Committee is meeting in Executive Session underneath the north balcony now. Appropriations will meet at eleven o'clock in Room 2022. Mr. President, your Committee on Natural Resources reports LB 108 to General File with amendments; and Transportation reports LB 1341 to General File with amendments. And I have amendments to be printed, Senator Bernard-Stevens to LB 754;