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of...or June of 1994, in which she again wanted to have her money take...stopped to be taken from her paycheck for her membership in NAPE. In addition, she had requested or someone had requested here an Attorney General's Opinion in May of 1994 as to whether or not it was legal for these payroll deductions to continue to take place. So those are the facts as we see them right now. Underlying all of this is a policy of NAPE that if a member wishes to withdraw from their organization, they can only do that in June of each year. But in contrast to that there's a U.S. Supreme Court case, Pattern Makers' v. NLRB, which the Attorney General's Opinion refers to, which states that they can withdraw and during any month of the year. So that's where...that's where the facts, as I see them, lie. Now what's in dispute is her involvement with the union and whether or not she was actively involved. When I originally had brought the amendment to strip this portion of the money out of the bill the facts, as I had...were led to believe, were that she became actively involved with the union after she had chose to...

SPEAKER WITHEM PRESIDING

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SENATOR ABOUD: ..leave the union, as far as being a union steward and running as a board of director for the union. Now I'm hearing that she was actively involved prior to that time and that her involvement had lessened. I don't know what...I don't really know what to believe on that particular issue. And if you talk to either side, you'll probably get differing opinions as to how active she was involved with the union. It, as was discussed earlier, we really didn't get the benefit in the committee of these types of questions to be asked because we didn't have anybody from the union side that appeared at the hearing, so it's been a little difficult finding out, getting information before the committee as to whether or not this was, in fact, a legitimate claim. Senator Beutler's confused on it. I am just as confused.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Time. Senator Schimek, followed by Senators Beutler, Witek, Hudkins, and Abboud.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. Senator Beutler, I turned my light on partially so that you could continue with your questions, but I would like to say