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do do it. But the Program Evaluation Committee can't possibly do in-depth looks at all these boards or commissions, and I wouldn't envision anybody doing in-depth on all the boards and commissions in any one year and, in fact, I would suggest to you that the most that Program Evaluation might be able to do is maybe one board or commission every year or two, because they only handle five, six requests a year, as far as I know, and my information may not be entirely up to date. So you can't really ask them to look at all these boards and commissions. I think there needs to be that interim step. And if it's...if it's the Government Committee, fine; if it's another committee, fine. I don't think there's any reason that all of the committees shouldn't be looking at, particularly, commissions that come under the jurisdiction of their committees and one recommendation, if you leave it in the Government Committee, might be to ask the Transportation Committee maybe to look at a particular board or commission more in depth, to have an interim hearing. I don't think this would preclude that. In fact, that should happen. There should be other committees involved in this process as well. That's the rationale for the bill. That's the rationale for my opposition to the Coordsen amendment and I would be...I'll be willing to listen to the discussion and if there's some further changes we need in the...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: ...bi'll, that will be fine. But I think this amendment really guts the bill and doesn't leave enough of a process in place. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Before we move to the next speaker, members, at some point in time this morning we're going to move to the Select File list that has no amendments. Bills that are clean we're going to move over this morning, so I want to give you fair warning we're going to do that. It will be a little while yet, but we will take those clean Select File bills some time later this morning and move them across. Senator Crosby.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members and, Senator Schimek, yes, I'm going to vote against this amendment because I agree with Senator Schimek it takes away the whole point of the bill. I would hope the Executive Board wasn't thinking that