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had to give up. I still didn't understand it, and I don't want to put anything into the law that is so confusing that it could be misinterpreted. And just to illustrate this, it's of course on your laptop, but I'm going to read the five...just five lines that I am asking you to vote against. It says, and I quote: Notwithstanding any other provision of the Employment Security Law, an employee who is not employed during a plant shutdown for vacation purposes shall not be deemed to be on a leave of absence or unavailable for work merely by reason of the fact that his or her collective bargaining agent agreed to the vacation. End of quote. Now that five lines has three negatives in it. I think two negatives usually create a problem in understanding. This one has three negatives in it. I'm sure this means something to somebody. It does not mean (laugh) anything to me. And I've showed this to some of my colleagues who are lawyers and they've shaken their heads, too. And I've discussed this with Senator Hilgert (laugh) and, of course, he's a genius in these matters, but I'm not so sure that even he could explain this, so rather than plug something into the law that really isn't necessary to the bill...the bill's a simple bill. The bill says that if you're on a full paid vacation and you've got a job to go back to, you're not unemployed. You can't get unemployment compensation. So I would ask that we vote against the adoption of the second division, which is lines 8 through 12 of Amendment 744.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Matzke. Senator Hilgert, you're recognized on the committee amendment.

SENATOR HILGERT: (Microphone not activated immediately.) Hello. Thank you, Mr. President, members. Senator Matzke said it had three negatives in the last five lines. Well, you can count a fourth negative because it does have the word "shutdown" and, frankly, that's a negative word in minor vernacular. But, all kidding aside, I'm not a genius when it comes to this law, but I do have confidence in what it does. The actual language is taken from the Pennsylvania statute. They had language specifically that deals with the problem of which we're trying to codify, basically, the practice of what the Department of Labor is doing. I'll run through it real quick. I don't want to try to belabor the point, but I do think that it is in fact needed. And let me do this by...I believe,