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opportunity to respond?

SENATOR ROBAK: Yes, I would. I...Senator Wickersham brought me the copy of a bill that he had heard in committee. And I would like to ask, I believe it was Senator Bohlke's bill, I'd like to ask Senator Bohlke the difference between her bill and my amendment, so that I could determine if we need 25 or 30 votes.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Robak, at this point, we're not going to debate. I just wanted to make a ruling, and I was just going to give you the opportunity to respond to me, before I made the ruling.

SENATOR ROBAK: I see, okay. Well, I believe that it is...there is a difference here, because I have physical impairments. I do not deal with...I have mental impairments, I do not deal with physical in my bill, in the amendment.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you. Senator Wickersham, it is the ruling and the opinion of the Chair that they are substantially the same and would require 30 votes. Senator Robak, if you'd like to challenge the ruling, you're given the opportunity at this time to do so.

SENATOR ROBAK: I challenge the Chair.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Okay. Senator Robak has moved to overrule the Chair's ruling on Senator Wickersham's motion and point of order. Members, you get the speak once to the motion to overrule the Chair. Senator Robak...members, I'm going to clear the boards at this point. Senator Robak, you are recognized to open on your motion to overrule.

SENATOR ROBAK: I'd like to overrule the Chair, because I still believe that my amendment deals with individuals of mental impairment, and it...it does not deal with...it does not deal with physical. Physical is already in, I believe, LB 175, that deals with physical impairments. My...my amendment deals only with mental impairment. I'm adding "mental impairment" to the bill, to have the same coverage, to have the same exemption.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Further debate on the motion to overrule