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SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Oh, no, no, no. I...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Can we increase the amount that is being given? I'll let you think about it.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: I'm thinking. I honestly don't know. I don't see why not, but I don't know. I mean, there are just some questions you've never been asked before.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Chambers, your light is on next.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If I could get a show of hands, I believe every hand in the room would go up, if I said, who thinks that these families are entitled to this recovery? I think every hand would go up. And I believe that among the thoughtful people, hands would go up if I asked who feels that these families are entitled to more than the amount which is here? Thoughtful hands would go up. Well, brothers and sisters, what I propose to do is ask Senator Kristensen one or two more questions, then I'm going to offer an amendment. Senator Kristensen, using that...is Senator Connealy here? There's an expression he doesn't want used. But since he's not here, that rule of thumb and looking at what would likely happen in a lawsuit, what is the amount that you think the family in this elevator case could recover, if things went their way, as they probably will with your Attorney General.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Kristensen.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Well, I think the figures I used were somewhere between two and three million dollars. I mean that's the most...that's if they'd win everything, you know, I mean lawsuits are awfully uncertain and...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And, Senator Kristensen, the total amount that we're looking at here would be the \$798,000?

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: That...yes, that's the figure that they settled for. Realize the family also settled for that, too.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right. But I don't have to be bound by what