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SENATOR HILGERT: Okay.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: I...I don't know how the Claims Board felt about this particular one. I'm picking it up from the...I'm coming from the back end in, saying here's the situation we're in. And...and I think that that Claims Board, obviously, is an initial filter. You know there are some of those smaller claims for the Risk Manager, and I'm looking for Senator Coordsen, but I believe it's \$2,000, if it's a small one the Risk Manager just makes decisions...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: ...on whether to grant it. Then, if they're a little bit larger, the Claims Board has that discretion. Then, if they're a little bit larger, it comes to us. But this is obviously a case over \$50,000, which would require the Legislature to appropriate that money.

SENATOR HILGERT: Okay.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: But your information, that...that's not an unreasonable request for you to have made and...

SENATOR HILGERT: Sure.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: ...and been delivered. And what probably happens time in and time out is that these things become routine and they walk into the committee figuring here's...I've done this for 20 years, and here's a legislator who's been here for 5 years or 6 years, and you know, can I see how it happens? Yes. Is it right? No.

SENATOR HILGERT: Okay. And the family was asking, I believe, for 1.9 million, initially, for...for your information.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Sure. And...and that's, you know, where do you start negotiating at? You may have a case, if you think it's worth, and Senator Landis can probably talk to you about the...