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SENATOR WICKERSHAM: But so...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So in one of the series, "acquired, constructed, or operated" we have immediately above, then down where you are it says, "acquire, construct, and operate", and we're talking about various activities that will be undertaken what these bonds will be issued for. Maybe that doesn't mean anything to the members of the Legislature, but if we had a setup where I said, now we're going to open a zoo, and these are the requirements you have to meet: you can have a giraffe, an elephant, or a cougar, that's different from saying you must have an elephant, a giraffe, and a cougar. When you've tied them together with "and" it means all three. When you use the "or" it could be any one of them. So, if the bonds are to be issued, they would be issued, the general obligation bonds, for acquiring, constructing, and operating. Isn't that what it says the general obligation bonds were issued for?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now, if we go down to line 12, we talk about...these are the words that are used, "acquire, construct, improve, and equip", which is different from all of the others. But those probably...those words don't probably have any meaning, do they? If I say you can borrow money to equip your house, I can lend you money to construct it. Those two words have different meanings and we know what they mean. Now if we're going to have these bonds to acquire, construct and operate, there is nothing in there about equipping it.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Is there?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: No.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But all these things are supposed to be read together, I presume, and yet all of them are different and they're diff...one deals with the definition of an eligible facility, and the language after we get from there is different from what the definition of an eligible facility is. So an