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SENATOR HILGERT: ...want to strike?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...where there is no deposit required...

SENATOR HILGERT: Okay.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...from a person who is blind or partially blind, hearing impaired or physically disabled.

SENATOR HILGERT: Well, I can't speak to the drafters. I can speak to, I mean, logically one might on the one hand say that a dog might cause damage, and if it does, there should be some amount of liability for the damage that the dog shall cause.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'm not touching that. The liability would still be there. I'm asking about the deposit.

SENATOR HILGERT: Why a specific amount is needed?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes.

SENATOR HILGERT: A one-fourth?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Of the rent, of a month's rent.

SENATOR HILGERT: Probably the same theory that any deposits are needed for, Senator, to guarantee that at least a minimal amount of restitution might be available to an individual who has damages.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now do you think that if this language were taken from the statutes, it would put a serious dent in the landlord's profits, or the landlord industry profits? Do you think?

SENATOR HILGERT: I don't know, Senator. I...who knows?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, thank you. My speculation is that it wouldn't and at another time if Senator Hilgert were not on this bill, I know what his views would be because I've heard him...