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SENATOR HILGERT: Rather than to define hubbub, I'll just say, yes. There was no opposition during the committee hearing. Only the morning of our introduction did I receive any written and strong opposition to LB 1310's inclusion into that amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: From what source did that opposition originate?

SENATOR HILGERT: It's hard for me to ascertain, but if I were to guess it would come from the League of Municipalities and was also vocalized by a representative of the administration.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Vocalized. Okay, so then nobody from the League engaged in this vocalization directly to you?

SENATOR HILGERT: Well, they did both. They handed out a letter dated February 7, I believe, that they said they failed to pass out at the hearing and they found in their file...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Um-hum.

SENATOR HILGERT: ...and they handed it out to at least certain members that morning. And then the administration did not give anything in writing against it, but they did say that they were against it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And when you say vocalized, you mean they spoke orally to you, not by way of a letter.

SENATOR HILGERT: That's my meaning, Senator Chambers, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Hilgert, some people are sensitive about various impairments, but I still have to ask you this. Are you hearing impaired?

SENATOR HILGERT: No, I don't believe I am, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Hilgert, do you have any trouble hearing a person if you're standing in what might be considered a conversational distance from that person and that individual