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SENATOR RAIKES: Although that's...that's going to be determined...for example, if I'm running a lobbying business and...and you pay me \$5,000 to do something, I can say, well, really, you know, it was \$100 to me and it cost me \$4,900 for my expenses including my overhead.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: I don't think you'd be a lobbyist very long, Senator. (Laugh)

SENATOR RAIKES: Oh, well, that's probably right. I'll have to concede that. But, at any rate, it seems to me that that, unless you have more to say on that, I'm not sure you're going to gain much by including that.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Counsel reminds me that you...that lobbyists are required to keep their receipts on all of this, so they have to be able to verify everything.

SENATOR RAIKES: So they would not be able to...anything that would be overhead, would be a cost of maintaining the office and all that kind of stuff, would in effect show up as a part of the reimbursement rather...or as a part of their compensation rather than reimbursement.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Senator, I don't believe so, but let me...let me do a little bit more visiting here with Counsel on that question and get it addressed at a later time.

SENATOR RAIKES: Okay. The next one follows up on...on what Senator Bromm was asking about and my question I think was similar. It says the primary reason for the event was the entertainment of legislators, for example. Who determines whether or not it was the primary reason? Isn't that...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Well,...

SENATOR RAIKES: ...sort of a gray area?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: ...let me continue with the explanation, and I think Senator Janssen coined it just right a moment ago. It's the walk-in provision. If you know that Farm Bureau is in Grand