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specifically to the member who introduced the amendment. Senator Chambers, I think that what your bill shows and I just...is that there is a wide variety, even with existing law, of confusion over what should be reported and how that should be done. So bills like this serve a very good purpose just in their presence by reminding people of, oh, there are these situations that I should be...further disclosure. There are innocent questions that are asked. And so just as an aside...but I mean, there is some value to the issue being raised. And I really think that that is important, because you're probably going to stimulate not only discussion within this body of reminding ourselves to go back and reexamining all those situations as to what should be reported, but there's probably other officials out there who are saying, oh my, I never thought of it in that way, and they should, and that is one of the important features of this. Senator Schimek, I think that you...I want to question you, Senator Schimek, because I believe you might have misspoken. I want to make sure I clarify that. Senator Schimek, if I could gain your attention for just one moment, please.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Schimek, would you respond to a question, please?

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you. You talked earlier about the pro rata of expenses with the convention or the banquet. I don't believe that's what your amendment says in terms of pro rata. I think what your amendment says...and I was looking primarily at the top of page 3, that those entertainment expenses do not include where the member of the Legislature or the other official was not the primary reason for the event. I believe that to be an exclusion from those calculations and not a pro rata calculation. And I thought I heard you talk about pro rata, and I don't believe that's true. And I just wanted to make sure I got your explanation of that.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: You're on page what, Senator?

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Page...the top of page 3 of your amendment, where it says, for purposes of this subdivision, entertainment expenses do not include. You talked about making a pro rata calculation.