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its entirety. If a bar or restaurant is having a serving area of less than 1,200 square feet is designated a smoking area in its entirety, such designation shall be posted conspicuously on all entrances. And so forth. So if you want to take...say, a place said, they were more than 1,200 square feet, and they designated themselves smoking in their entirety, would be a violation of the law.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Time. The next light on is Senator Cunningham's. Senator Cunningham, you are recognized.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Thank you, Senator Schimek and members. I still am having very major concerns with this area of the affected party. And I do believe that the way it's written now...and Senator Thompson is right, that's what's in statute now. But now we're enforcing against the businesses. And I'm certain, the way it's written, that a fanatic will be able to run around to all businesses, filing...going to the courts and filing injunctions against these businesses. And I have some very, very major concerns about that. But I do want to continue...I don't want to derail the bill, but I want to continue talking about this so we can do something on Select File. Thank you.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Senator Cunningham. Senator Vrtiska, your light is next.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Madam President. I was curious, when they were talking about the affected party, affected party can file if they have an allergy to smoking. Do they have to prove that? I'd like to ask Senator Thompson.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Senator Thompson, you're recognized.

SENATOR THOMPSON: I'm sorry. I'm trying to clarify...

SENATOR VRTISKA: Okay.

SENATOR THOMPSON: ...injunctive action with...

SENATOR VRTISKA: Okay. I...