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performing its duties under this NPPOSA, amounts paid by NMC because of such liability and NMC's expenses in defending claims by third parties or prosecuting claims against third parties shall be considered the cost of operation. And it's that that I am seeking to address by stating that these costs related to prosecution or defending any claims by such entity against the state of Nebraska or any of its political subdivisions is not covered. That's the purpose of the amendment. That's the reason for the amendment and...

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR PREISTER: ...I would be happy to entertain any questions. But I do want to comment further on one other section in here later which makes this even more important, and that is on page 24, under Article XIII, miscellaneous 13.3, governing law, it states the validity, interpretation and performance of this agreement and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state of Wisconsin; governed by the laws of the state of Wisconsin. That's going to make this even more difficult to administer. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Preister. Senator Schrock.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, first of all, I want to say that two minutes ago I didn't know this was going to happen. I will tell you, at the present time, there is no contract and what Senator Preister is referring to is a concept and nothing has been signed. And anything that may be signed by NPPD or any other power company in this state would be part of the negotiations, and it may not even be any part of a contract that he is referring to. And I would think that if NPPD was going to sign a contract with the management company, that this would be a part of the...this would be spelled out in the contract what would be involved and what wouldn't be involved. I don't think this is necessary. I do oppose it. I think the bill is in good shape the way it is. I must admit that in the two minutes I've had to examine it and that Counsel has had an opportunity to examine it, we don't see the problem. We don't see the flag that Senator Preister is waving is a legitimate concern. I understand Senator Preister's genuine