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SENATOR CUDABACK: Time. Thank you, Senator Raikes. Senator Brashear, AM1429 to FA1327.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Mr. President, members of the body, I have a further amendment which will follow AM1429 that deals with some of these issues, and I'm...so I'm going to wait for that point but I wanted to indicate, to the extent I can, I want to elaborate on the dialogue between you, Senator Raikes, and Senator Landis. The clarification, I thought the clarification he gave with regard to repair and installation, that has been a huge problem and people are...what we have out there now in the marketplace is people are characterizing it in the most tax-advantageous way to them, and we've got a dispute and no way to enforce it. I don't think we're creating the same issue with regard to construction, and I think that's the direction that Senator Landis was going, because we say we're refining the new construction exceptions, so we're saying it excludes projects that amount to new construction, and we're specifying those as additions. You put a new room on your house, that's new construction. Completion of unfinished new construction, when you finish an unfinished basement, that's new construction. Replacement of structures destroyed by disaster, when you have a tornado and you rebuild your home, that's new construction. And a complete rehabilitation of an existing building, you have a building that has been debilitated, abandoned, its value on the tax rolls reflects that state of disregard or disrepair, and then you come in and you totally remodel it, refurbish it, and its value on the tax rolls reflects that, plus whatever technicalities they include in the rules and regulations of the Department of Revenue, that would be new construction. So it's those kinds of dealing with reality and specifics that is not as clear as repair versus installation when you're talking about a hot water heater. So, yeah, I think we improve...the reason I support the technical amendment, I think we're working with all of these issues. I think we improve the bill. We make the technical definitions of what we've already put in place with LB 1085 better, and then this division which is pending before the body also eliminates some other ambiguities and inconsistencies. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Brashear. Senator