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amendment and...

SENATOR BEUTLER: To some degree, it's going to depend on the increasing sophistication of the county board to anticipate these various things. Is it not? I mean like you just mentioned, if they say in their conditions that the application is...that the approval is based on the information being accurate and complete, then they could object at the time of the final permit. If they didn't say that though...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ..could they, under the language of this amendment, object?

SENATOR CUDABACK: I'm sorry, your time is up. Senator Schimek, on AM1577.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President and members. I haven't spoken on this issue yet and I have been listening carefully this afternoon because I have more than a small interest in this area. And last year I did sit on the Ag Committee and the Ag Committee did hear a similar kind of bill, and I asked the question at that hearing, you know, why is this bill in Ag Committee? This is a zoning issue. It's not an ag issue. And it was sort of a rhetorical question, but I asked it anyway. This year I really should have asked it more seriously and I didn't. But when I heard Senator McDonald talking about the...maybe the expanded implications for this bill and then I understood Senator Bromm to say, yes, it might apply to more than just agriculture, I decided it was probably time to stand up and say, first of all, I believe this bill should have been in Government Committee. It's a zoning issue and it does have implications on other zoning situations. And I don't know how that happened, but I think we all need to be more vigilant. The thing I really stood up for, Senator Bromm, though, once getting past that initial little jag, is the actual language on page 5 of this amendment. And one of the things that I don't understand is the language, and I've got to find this. The last sentence is rather lengthy, the last sentence on page...well, actually, on page 1 of the amendment. The last sentence, it