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SENATOR CUDABACK: Now on your...

SENATOR SCHROCK: And I'll speak to people that know more than I do about it. How does that sound?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That sounds good.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Now on your time, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, as I stated in this first division that we have, I'm offering a number of amendments and I'm trying the best that I can to restrict my comments to these amendments that I'm offering. I'm doing that in order that there will be no confusion about what I'm doing. If I stray into a discussion of other parts of the bill, which are controversial, somebody may misunderstand and think that my amendment addresses that area. So I'm trying not to do that. But because this existing language that I read to Senator Schrock caused me so much confusion when I was going over it last night, this morning, and this afternoon, I wanted to pose that question. Additional language that follows what I read states the following, and it picks up in line 10 on page 2. Oh, Senator Schrock is ready to give an answer so, Mr. President, I would like to ask Senator Schrock a question.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Schrock.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Schrock, there is language that begins in line 8 on page 2. Would you help me in coming to an understanding of what that language means?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Okay, Senator Chambers, we have the...we have a Natural Resources Commission in this state. It's made up of 16 people. Some represent different basins and three represent...three are appointed by the Governor. One represents municipalities. One represents surface and one represents ground water irrigators. And if they have a watershed project and they need to acquire some water rights to have the watershed project built, or to build dams and levees and reservoirs,