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express their views which taking...with taking care of the time, the commitment of time, to the people that are in the hearing room. My experience with teleconferencing, even though it certainly is great at collapsing distances, is not very good when it comes to managing time in a very tight circumstance. The interim hearing I remember that we had in Revenue, we spent a fair amount of time sitting there, waiting for someone to realize that the mike was open and that they, in fact, needed to stand up and speak to the mike--items or issues that could be addressed with experience. That's why I commend Senator Smith's proposal. I think this is something we should continually push to do more of, but to impose hard and fast requirements in the rules at this point I think is unwise. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Raikes. Senator Engel, on the Chambers amendment, followed by five others.

SENATOR ENGEL: Mr. President, I certainly agree with the Chambers amendment, but I'd like to talk about the request itself. The...two...a couple things: First of all, there will be a cost associated with this. It probably wouldn't be very much, normally it isn't, but, you know, that would affect decisions. And I do think it should be heard by the Rules Committee, and I think he didn't have, probably, have time to do that. But I would like to say something about Senator Smith. I said...I asked him, when he talked to me about this earlier, I said, well, this morning, you know, we're not going to try to belabor what we're doing and hope...you know, how much time will this take? He says, well, he says, just a reasonable amount of time. I want to tell you a little story. Senator Smith rode home with my wife and I last week because he was...to Sioux City, and his brother picked him up from Sioux Falls, because that's...for the weekend, and about halfway home...Adrian and I must have been talking quite a little bit because about halfway home, Dee said, you know, my throat is dry from listening to you two talk. So that's why I had a little caution here as far as how long you were going to speak. But I don't take...I think this does need a lot of work before we do anything like that. I think the concept is probably good, but I do believe that the Chambers amendment makes it better, and probably it should go through the Rules Committee for a study. Thank you.