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or her establishment. I just...that's my understanding of the amendment and, unless I'm corrected, that is how we're pursuing with this amendment under that thought, and that is that if you're the proprietor of a local establishment you can lease the entire establishment out and smoking would be allowed, and that the question of whether or not smoking is allowed is designated...the discretion is designated to the proprietor. I just...I'll just state it that way for the record...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: ...and...thank you, Senator Cudaback.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Synowiecki. Senator Thompson, there are no further lights on, so I will recognize you to close on AM1179.

SENATOR THOMPSON: Thank you. Just to follow up with Senator Synowiecki, I have talked with legal counsel to the Health Committee. If you would like, on Select File, to amend "bar" into this definition, that may make it clearer. He's standing off to the side if you want to include that. But right now this is a compromise amendment based upon two concerns. Senator Synowiecki's concern that he wanted children to be able to go to bars and not be prohibited under the law from doing This takes that language out of the bill. The second would allow the proprietor of ... and it's defined in the law currently and in the amendment, of an entire room or hall used for a private social function. Would probably clarification. Senator Synowiecki, that might be something you would want to consider, adding "bar" to that. You can...you can put an amendment up next or we'd be happy to work with you on I'm not sure, you know, of how far you want to Select File. take this, if this is just defining what this section is about, but this section has been in the law since it was passed in 1979 and it refers to the private halls that people lease out. So if you want to, now that the discussion is, can a bar turn itself into a private hall for...to allow smoking for a funeral luncheon or something like that, we probably need to define that in this amendment more clearly for that purpose. So that's what this amendment is about. It's not the original language. It's