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parking facility that requires the public to pay a fee. And then in another place, on page 18, it says, financial assistance shall not include any lodging tax collected by a hotel as defined in Section 81-1247. The contracting public body may not pledge any portion of the financial assistance received under this section for the construction, development, or operation of a parking facility that requires the public to pay any fee of its use. Senator Howard brought me this concern. I decided to put it into this amendment. And I also wanted to make explicit some costs that could not be used, that the money could not be used for. And that was...in the legal fees, I didn't want legal fees to be defined as lobbying costs, and I didn't want costs for the operation of the...or, land acquisition, to include property taxes. We had a question about this on the floor the other day, and for that reason, I ask for the adoption of this amendment. And Senator Redfield, I think, has a significant amendment after this, on the use of eminent domain.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Landis. You've heard the opening on AM1529. (Visitors introduced.) Discussion of AM1529 offered by Senator Landis. There is a request to divide. Senator Chambers, Senator Landis, would you please come forward? The Chair does rule that the amendment is divisible. Mr. Clerk, please inform the body where the question is to be divided.

CLERK: Mr. President, pursuant to your order, AM1529 has been divided into three components. The first component will consist of lines 1 through 8, the second component will consist of lines 14 through 19, and the third component will consist of lines 9 through 13. And Senator Landis, I believe that's the order you wanted to take them up. Mr. President, therefore the Legislature is considering the first eight lines of AM1529 as an amendment to the committee amendments. (FA272, Legislative Journal page 1632.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Landis, you are recognized to open on the first eight lines of AM1529.

SENATOR LANDIS: Let me read this to you, so you'll hear what it says. Development project costs...and by the way, these are costs that are, if you are a development cost, you can be