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that has been done on this bill, that kind of situation should not have arisen, and I'll tell you why. I have concerns about the task force, the makeup of it, how selections will be made, but I do want to be sure that the language does accurately reflect what it is we're talking about here. And had there been other committees, I would have wanted to know which they were and where they were referenced in the amendment of Senator Brashear because, to be quite frank, I have not had the opportunity to read it as thoroughly as I would like to, because I didn't become aware until late in the evening that the bill would be up this morning, and I did not have time to go through it as I would like to have done. This matter is very serious, and I see in some parts of the bill where exceptions are made. For example, on page 2, line 3, beginning with Section 2, the language says, in subsection (1), except as provided in sections, and then it gives a listing of those sections. I'd like to ask a question of Senator Baker.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Baker, would you respond?

SENATOR BAKER: Yes, I would.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Baker, as they do in the courtroom, is it true that you're the Chairperson of the Transportation and Communications (sic) Committee, or Communications (sic) and Transportation Committee, however it is designated?

SENATOR BAKER: That's true.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Did you say earlier that you agree with this amendment?

SENATOR BAKER: Yes, I voted for it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Have you read it over?

SENATOR BAKER: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Have you read each one of those sections which is listed in Section 2, subsection (1) of Section 2, starting at...