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that I've never been able to understand, and it's on page 1 of your amendment, and I'm sure it has to do with the way bills are drafted. In line 5 it says, and that would be Section 1 of this amendment: For purposes of Sections 2 to 6 of this act, then it lists what these various terms mean.

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: That's correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Is that to say that in Section 1, where they're being set out, they mean something different?

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: No. I think that's an artifice of legislating, as you said, and bill drafting so that you don't...it's perfectly obvious that for the purposes of Section 1, the definitions set forth in Section 1 are in fact binding and obligatory upon Section 1. So this is a way to cross-reference to 2 through 6.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Is there anything among these items that you think, in your opinion, need clarification?

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: I would hope, Senator Chambers, that if they...it needed...if those four items needed further clarification with all of the skilled people who have looked at it, it would be like the error we didn't catch that you pointed out. I would hope that we've got them in there now. I don't believe there's any clarification required.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So here's what I'm going to do is, after I make this comment, I'm going to pull this pending amendment. But if it's necessary for me to refer back to something in this first section, I may still do that.

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: I understand.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Mr. President, I will withdraw that pending amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: FA206 is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk, please, next