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SENATOR FISCHER: Or I will yield to Senator Schrock, if he had more questions on that.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Oh. Senator Schrock.

SENATOR SCHROCK: (Microphone malfunction)...by another member of the committee, so it would...I have some concerns, but I think the amendment clears it up. I will look at it between now and Select File. But we can't hamstring the decision-making process and not have rules and regulations go forward by agencies such as Game and Parks, the Environmental Quality Council, because we can't do all the details by statutes. I realize that there has been times when maybe our agencies have been overreaching and then the remedy then is to introduce a piece of legislation to try and reverse what they've done, and I'm not sure this changes that other than it does bring them forward and they have to tell us what they're doing and why, and then we have to, I guess, decide whether we want to change that, which I would assume takes legislation. Was that fair enough?

SENATOR FISCHER: I would think so. I...

SENATOR SCHROCK: Just because the Chair of a committee disagrees with what the department is doing, that doesn't change anything. There would have to be some statutes changed, would they not?

SENATOR FISCHER: I don't know if you'd have to have statutes changed, but I think one part of this bill that I really like, and it's because of my concern with term limits, too, and where...where is the balance going to be within the different branches of government when you have term limits and the...I feel the executive branch is going to possibly gain more influence, especially with their agencies, with term limits here in the Legislature. And with this bill, you have the...you have the chairman and you have members of the Legislature that are going to be able to have some kind of oversight on what the rules are. It's going to allow citizens to be able to approach their senators with problems. I mentioned some, Senator Bourne has mentioned some that are currently happening. That senator then can go to the chairman of a committee and be able to look