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responsible, and said no. I'd like to ask a question of Senator Don Pederson, who is the Chairperson of the Appropriations Committee.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Pederson.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Pederson, were you aware that all these sheriffs were going to come down and testify that day?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: No, I was not. In fact, I wasn't there during their hearing. I had to go introduce a bill in Health and Human Services that day so I missed most of it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Who is the Vice Chair of your committee?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Lowen Kruse.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, if Senator Kruse would answer a question or two, I would like to have the opportunity to pose them.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Kruse, would you yield to a question from Senator Chambers?

SENATOR KRUSE: Yes, I will.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Kruse, having been trained in the law, I take nothing for granted. And despite what Senator Don Pederson said, and I have no reason to doubt it, I have to start with you from ground zero. Are you the Vice Chairperson of the Appropriations Committee?

SENATOR KRUSE: All day.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And twice on Sunday if it doesn't rain, probably.

SENATOR KRUSE: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Were you there the day that all these sheriffs came down to testify and try to persuade your committee