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that I think works well, and so a lot of the concern was brought to me by folks at home who are on the front lines of this, and they just say that it's not necessary, the timing is wrong, and so I tried to speculate, if you will, on why they would have that position, and I truly believe it's an authentic one that comes from the experts in the field. And certainly when you look at all the issues, and especially raising the fee on an already overly taxed service, I just don't see where that is wise, fair, or the right thing to do at this point. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator. Thank you, Senator Smith, on the discussion. Senator Erdman. Senator Erdman, sorry, you dropped your light. Senator Brown.

SENATOR BROWN: Mr. President, members, there are pieces of this that are absolutely critical to do and if Senator Smith is unwilling to raise the fee...and I understand. When Senator Baker said that the Public Service Commission came in last year and asked for \$1.50 and (laugh) the reason that they probably changed it is because we asked far too many questions. One of the questions was why was it going to cost more money to do this in Nebraska than it cost to do it in Texas, at least for most of the state of Texas where you're talking about a lot more people and a lot more land mass? And there wasn't a good answer so now it's down to 70 cents. But if we're not willing to do any adjustment to that amount, then we better make sure that we get the terminology out of the existing language which says, the state shall pay for enhanced 911 after the counties that have gotten to the level of the phase two level of 911. And the other thing that you have to realize is that the E-911...I mean, and Senator Baker said this, but I'm going to reiterate it. The 911 money stayed with the counties so they have a vested interest in the little fiefdom that has been created for that 911 landline money. This E-911 money is going to go from everybody to the state, and then the state is going to determine, if the language gets changed from "shall" to "may," who gets it, when they get it, whether there's justification for them getting it. As to the piece about the PSAPs and the consolidation of PSAPs, it is not just that we're arbitrarily saying, as almost every county official, a PSAP official, that