

amendment.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Hannibal.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: I knew you would, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Hannibal, when we use the term, the claim has accrued, what does that mean to you as the introducer, and I'm trying to establish a legislative record or history of what these terms mean.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: I believe, and I am not an attorney, but I believe...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But you're the introducer and I want to know what it means to you.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: When the claim has accrued, is when there is knowledge or there is reason to have knowledge that damage has been done.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. So you mean, so that it is crystal clear, it couldn't be a situation like you and I discussed where maybe an employee or a group of employees negligently installed a water main, it undermined the house and the person didn't find out that this was happening until say two years after the installation of the main, that the cause would accrue, or the claim would accrue when the person would know about the damage done or should know.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: I believe that court cases say that that's exactly what it is, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'm asking, is that what you mean in the bill?

SENATOR HANNIBAL: That's what I interpret, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And that's what you intend to have your bill deal with.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Now I want to get to the amendment. The way the law is now without this bill, if an employee acting in the course of his or her duties