

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you, Madam Chair, members, I guess I have to stall until Senator Johnson gets back because I have another question or two. I'm also concerned about that language. I'm not quite clear on what that does. I'd like to thank Senator Schmit. The lady he was talking about was a constituent of mine and I didn't support his amendment yesterday, probably would today. I did have concerns about it yesterday because, and I stated those, what is big, what is little, it's tough to declare. And Mrs. Jeanneret is definitely not big, but yet she may even come under the \$25,000 let alone the 15,000. Again, I'd like to restate, her husband died; she is left ownership of the property; she leased out the stations. A couple of years ago they removed the tanks, small tanks, relatively small, 1,650 gallons, contamination was found, an action has been filed, but she has got very limited resources that she has saved to protect herself during her retirement and now we're looking at hitting her for a minimum of 15,000, possibly \$25,000. It's going to take a big chunk of her life savings and I have a question for Senator Johnson, if...and I don't know if you can answer it, Senator, quite frankly. On the exemption and when it kicks in, so we're exempting folks upon determination that the responsible party sold no less than 2,000 gallons of petroleum, no more than 250 the year before. What if we don't know?

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: That's a good question, Senator, I don't know.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Yeah, and we don't have any records on this facility as far as I know. In a town like Brock you think it's a small town, they could hit 250, but we don't know. So we don't know if she would come under the exemption if she was less than the 250 simply because we don't have any way of proving it, as I am aware yet. The department doesn't know yet of any records that exist. And also now a question, what if I had a release and paid for it, and maybe we answered this last year but I couldn't remember. If I had a release and paid for it out of my own pocket that fell under these...the dates that we're discussing before '83. Say I had one in '84 and I paid for it out of my own pocket, got it all cleaned up, do I get reimbursed the amount that we are now exempting out? If I paid 25 and I was under the exemption, would I get reimbursed the five or possibly 15,000?