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more there than accountability...obviously the (inaudible) accountability is how much you can spend. You know, obviously, as Senator Baack said, you're not talking from 100 to 250, you're talking from 200 to 250. And I don't know, Senator Baack, do you have any idea how long it's been since that's changed?

SENATOR HALL: Senator Baack.

SPEAKER BAACK: I believe it was in 1976 when that was put in place.

SENATOR MOORE: So, 17 years it's been at \$100...\$200.

SPEAKER BAACK: That's good arithmetic. I'm glad to see our Appropriations Committee can do that. Yeah.

SENATOR MOORE: I was a little scared about that actually, to tell you the truth, adding like that on the floor. Senator Schimek, do you concur with that? Is that...

SENATOR HALL: Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Well, I do, but I'm basing it on what Senator Baack just told us, though. Yeah, but I concur, I think he's correct.

SENATOR MOORE: Okay. I mean...so we just understand it's not from 100 to 250, as the introducer of the amendment stated and made it sound like we were trying to, you know, more than significantly raise that amount. It's only from 200 to 250. I mean it's not that big a deal, but also...I think it's also important to understand that you're changing the entire scope of what it is accountability...the purpose of Accountability and Disclosure to the point where you're no longer saying do what you want, but report everything you do. Now it is, report everything you do, but only do as much as we allow you to. And so obviously we've significantly changed what it is the entire law is all about as well. And so, I guess I would concur with Senator Baack that the \$50 change is not that onerous and not that deviant on the part of the Legislature, and I'd rise to oppose it.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Senator Moore. Senator Ashford, on the Bromm amendment.