

solicit that contribution, as the lobbyist would be for contributing or arranging the contribution. Why should we punish one but not the other?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: I understand that you're saying, and I agree, except I don't...I think it's going to be hard for us to accept anything if they can't contribute anything. But there is one question I have in the wording, and the wording says, solicit or accept. Now, does that mean, for instance, that a senator could not send out a fund raising letter during the session?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, you can't...you would not be able to solicit from lobbyists, you couldn't send out a fund raising letter to lobbyists or to others who we've included within the category of the prohibition.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: I'm sorry, Senator, would you repeat your question or your answer.

SENATOR BEUTLER: The prohibition is against a principal, lobbyist, or anyone acting on behalf of either, and so those would be the people whom you could not solicit.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: But I guess what I'm getting at is you can't send out an invitation to a fund raiser that maybe is going to occur after the session is over, you can't send that out during the session, according to this. Is that correct?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well,...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: I'm questioning the need for...

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yeah, I think that would be...if you are expecting them...if the expectation is that they are going to contribute, then the prohibition would be against the solicitation.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Okay, thanks.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Senator Schellpeper, on the Beutler amendment.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Yes, Mr. Chairman and members. Senator Beutler, would you be acceptable to taking "solicit or" out of the amendment because if you're going to...say you're going to