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STATE OF LOUISIANA

REGULAR MEETING

APRIL 19, 2010

BEGINNING AT 9:32 A.M.

3132 VALLEY CREEK
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

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3	MS. KIM BARON	
4	MR. DEREK PARNELL	:
5	MS. HEATHER ELLIS	
6	MR. BUTCH WRIGHT	
7	MS. TONYA BURKS	
8	MR. BARRY WARD	14,900
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actually, it was in 2008 I lost my

mother-in-law due to cancer, due to

leukemia. So we actually all formed one

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- team. We are called Prep for Life and we
- participate in Relay for Life in which you
- 3 -- actually, you walk around a track for 24
- 4 hours and that's to represent that you are
- 5 constantly trying to help someone dealing
- 6 with cancer.
- We are currently doing
- fundraisers in order to raise money for our
- team. Our goal is \$2,000. I'm not sure
- exactly how much we've raised so far, but we
- are currently doing it. The event will take
- place April 30 in Brusly and any proceeds
- that we get, it goes to towards the American
- 14 Cancer Society and, I mean, basically just
- helping -- trying to, you know, help
- patients fight cancer. I'm sure we've all
- lost somebody with cancer and if you've seen
- somebody struggling with cancer, it is very
- hard for them. I mean, it's a thing that
- you will never forget.
- So I'm just here to mention
- about the Relay for Life. If you all would
- like to donate to the Cancer Society, I
- would really appreciate it, anything you
- have to offer. It could be 50 cents to a

- dollar to \$100 or \$1,000, but whatever you
- would like, like I said, it's all going
- towards the Cancer Society and we're just
- 4 trying to help people that's actually
- fighting cancer or somebody that actually
- lost somebody doing -- you know, somebody
- died trying to fight cancer. So it's just
- 8 trying to help somebody go through cancer.
- 9 MR. ROBINSON:
- Do they pledge so much an
- hour or just a flat amount or so much a lap?
- MS. BURKS:
- We are trying to raise money
- all of the way to April 30, because we are
- trying to reach that goal, \$2,000 for that
- day. So we've been doing it for the last
- couple of months.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- So you're looking for just a
- flat monetary --
- MS. BURKS:
- Whatever you have to donate.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Have you got a sheet or --
- MS. BURKS:

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                    I have the form you can sign
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     and donate to me.
                         My office is right there.
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     Whatever you give would be totally
     appreciated.
                MS. BARON:
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                    Is it tax deductible?
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                MS. BURKS:
                          Right. Yes, it is.
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                    So whatever you would like,
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     you know, think about it, whatever, just
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     whatever you can. Even after April 30, if
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     you want to just submit something to the
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     American Cancer Society, that's more than
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     grateful. We really appreciate it.
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                    Any questions, comments?
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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                    Thank you. We appreciate it.
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                    Ms. Kim, everybody is here.
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     So let's go ahead and call roll.
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                MS. BARON:
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                    Glen Robinson?
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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                    Present.
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                MS. BARON:
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                    George Brewer?
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                 MS. BARON:
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                     Darty Smith?
                MR. SMITH:
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                MS. BARON:
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                     And Douglas Turner?
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                MR. TURNER:
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                     (No response.)
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                MS. BARON:
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                     Mr. Chairman, we have a
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     quorum.
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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                     Thank you.
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                     Item 4 on the agenda, items
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     for discussion, approval of the minutes from
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     last month. Have y'all reviewed the
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     minutes?
                So you received those before the
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     meeting.
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                     Does anyone want to make a
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     motion on the minutes?
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                MR. SMTTH:
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                     I'll make a motion to
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     approve.
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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- for any reason. It is FDIC insured up to
- \$250,000, but the rates are currently at
- around one to 1.1 percent yearly. So that
- was one thing that we had talked about
- 5 checking into instead of CDs. And that rate
- is going to be variable throughout the year.
- They did say that it could be changed
- throughout the course. There is no minimum
- amount of time that it has to be in there,
- but there is also no maximum amount of time.
- So -- because, we have the two CDs that are
- going to mature at the end of this month.
- 13 If something is not done, they will
- automatically renew for six months.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Does anyone have comments or
- questions, Commissioners?
- MR. DUPLESSIS:
- I definitely do. Right now,
- I think we can invest in this. You might
- help me here. We can actually go through
- ²² Chase and invest in State municipal tax free
- bonds and get a net of about six and we can
- retrieve that money within a three day
- notice, which is a substantial difference

- from 1.1 in tying it up or locking it up.
- So I think we can invest in State municipal
- bonds without any -- Sheri?
- 4 MR. ROBINSON:
- Mr. Hallack?
- Ms. Morris?
- MS. MORRIS:
- I'm not sure. We would have
- to check with the Treasurer's office to make
- sure that the bonds meet the requirements.
- MR. DUPLESSIS:
- They are State certified
- bonds.
- MS. MORRIS:
- Well, any local bonds would
- be approved by the Bond Commission for
- issuance, but I'm not sure that they all
- meet the requirements for purchase, but we
- could check on that.
- MR. DUPLESSIS:
- It's a bond fund.
- Does that present a problem?
- MS. MORRIS:
- Well, I don't have a statute
- in front of me on investments, but we do

- have restrictions that were set by the
- Treasurer's office. So we just have to
- 3 check with the Treasurer's office to make
- sure that that was an approved investment.
- MR. POTEET:
- It's actually a bond fund
- through Chase?
- MR. DUPLESSIS:
- Bond fund through Chase and
- it's made up of state tax free municipal
- bonds and federal bonds that are redeemable
- on a three day notice.
- MR. POTEET:
- It's not just the State of
- 15 Louisiana?
- MR. DUPLESSIS:
- There's a series of several
- municipal bonds that I think would work for
- us, and they yield -- they are a pretty nice
- vield.
- MS. MORRIS:
- This is the state fiscal
- agent bank. So they would probably know the
- answer to that, too.
- MR. DUPLESSIS:

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                     I kind of stumbled on it.
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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                     Mr. Hallack --
                MR. HALLACK:
                     I don't know.
                MR. ROBINSON:
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                     -- you would defer. You are
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     like Ms. Morris.
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                     Let's get someone to -- do
     you have time to check into it?
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                MS. MORRIS:
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                     Yes.
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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                     We have a full 30 days before
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     the CD comes --
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                MS. ELLIS:
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                     No.
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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                     We have just to the end of
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     this month?
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                MS. ELLIS:
                     The end of this month.
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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                     So we need it done somewhat
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     expeditiously.
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- MS. ELLIS:
- Yes, the end of next week.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- I mean, we've already passed
- ⁵ resolutions where we can deal with it if we
- find out that there is a vehicle where we
- ⁷ can divert some funds. Okay.
- ⁸ And then as far as the
- financial report, Ms. Heather, if you would?
- MS. ELLIS:
- We will start on Page 1. We
- had total revenues this month for licensees
- 13 \$41,840.75, and total revenues of
- \$42,782.16. Page 2, we had total expenses
- of \$59,463.19, which was a little more than
- what we took in, but at this time of year,
- that's going to be normal. Page 3, it shows
- our revenues are going down from January,
- 19 February, and now into March which is to be
- expected. We are still taking in a good bit
- for this time of year. Page 4, also shows
- our expenditures are going down, which is
- very good considering the revenues are going
- down. We were at \$59,463.19 as far as
- expenditures for this month. Page 5, total

- revenues, we are at 79.4 percent of what we
- expected to take in for this time of year.
- And on Page 6, our total expenditures, we
- are at 70.1 percent of what we had planned
- on spending for the year.
- 6 On Page 7 --
- ⁷ MR. ROBINSON:
- ⁸ Are we on track then?
- 9 MS. ELLIS:
- Yes, sir. We may come in a
- little bit under what we had planned on
- taking in, but we are very close for the
- this time of year.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- In June, you know, we will
- have to adjust our budget and we cannot --
- and we can't come in short in areas. So
- June is a big month. We do have to pass an
- amended budget in June. We can't wait until
- July.
- MS. ELLIS:
- Page 7, our balance sheet for
- all of our assets, this is unchanged from
- last month other than the cash in the bank,
- which is going to fluctuate depending on

what we've taken in and what we've spent. 2 know there were some questions about account 103 last month. That is something that we 3 are checking into. The more I look into it, this is not an account that has been in use for the past three or four years. I think 7 this is something that our previous auditor 8 used to make end of the year adjustments to. 9 So we are looking into if we can take this 10 off the report, if it needs to be zeroed out 11 or what's going to need to be done with this 12 particular account. 13 On Page 8, total liabilities, 14 and these are going to fluctuate depending 15 on what has been paid out and what hasn't 16 been paid out as far as our taxes and 17 related benefits. On Page 9, you will see 18 the same revenue and expenditure numbers, 19 revenue at \$42,782.16, and expenditures for 20 the month of \$59,463.19. Page 10 is our CD 21 summary and you will see that two of the CDs 22 do mature at the end of this month, one on 23 April 28 and one on April 30. We have

renewed come July. So that's something else

another CD that's going to need to be

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- to be looking forward to thinking about. On
- Page 11, there have been a lot of changes to
- the accounts receivable because we did
- receive a check for \$27,000. So a lot of
- 5 these older accounts receivable have now
- been paid off and as of next month, they
- will no longer show on this sheet. So we
- actually have a total of \$11,656 that we owe
- 9 -- that is owed to us.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- And we -- actually, we
- believe we've got a correction to make that
- would lower that by this \$2,756.
- MS. ELLIS:
- Right.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- We believe that money was
- received. Maybe it was posted incorrectly,
- but -- so we have lowered our accounts
- receivable drastically, because we are going
- to be under \$9,000 now. So we are talking
- about a \$30,000 reduction.
- MR. BREWER:
- What about this Westside
- ²⁵ Wholesale, \$5,850?

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                MR. ROBINSON:
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                     I instructed Ms. Kim this
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     morning to give it to Mr. Hallack to force
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     collection with the bond company.
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                MS. ELLIS:
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                    Because, she has already
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     filed with the bonding company.
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                MR. BREWER:
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                    Yes, this guy is not in
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     business anymore. He's working in a junk
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     yard right now.
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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                    Well, this morning, we
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     instructed Ms. Kim to give it to Attorney
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     Hallack to get with them or file suit,
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     whatever we have to do to collect the money.
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                MR. BREWER:
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                    Okay.
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                MR. HALLACK:
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                    And Main Street Motors is not
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     on here either. We are supposed to be
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     getting five checks on those.
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                MS. ELLIS:
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                    I don't have a judgment on
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     it.
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1 All right. And the last 2 thing --3 MR. ROBINSON: Excuse me, do we have a 5 judgment on -- is it Main, M-A-I-N? 6 MR. HALLACK: 7 Main Street Motors, M-A-I-N, 8 Street Motors. 9 MR. ROBINSON: 10 So approximately what is the 11 judgment for? 12 MR. HALLACK: 13 Well, we don't have a 14 judgment. They are going to pay the bond, 15 pay the claim. 16 MR. ROBINSON: 17 The bond claim --18 MS. BARON: 19 That money is going to the 20 DMV, though. That money is not for us. 21 MR. HALLACK: 22 Oh, really, not to us? 23 MS. BARON: 24 It's not to us. Well, not on 25 here.

MR. HALLACK:

Well, they are sending us the

3 check.

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MS. BARON:

Yes. They send us the check,

and then we send it on to the Department of

⁷ Motor Vehicle.

MR. ROBINSON:

That explains that.

MS. ELLIS:

Page 12, I would like to just

touch on a few points. The salaries have

gone up due to merit increases that we had

in February and March, which have been put

in place. Auto maintenance was \$512 more

than the previous month due to all of the

cars need oil changes, air filters, and

those based mileage-wise, not month-wise

necessarily. Our telephone bill was \$592

more than the previous month, but we did get

the new Blackberries in for all of the

field. So they now have Internet through

their phones. And the utilities were \$73

more than the previous month, which we can

expect that to go up with the summer months

1 coming, and that's it. 2 MR. ROBINSON: 3 The other thing when we met 4 this morning that we're checking on, we did receive the \$27,000 claim against the bond. 5 6 Thank you, Mr. Hallack, for 7 your work on that. 8 It doesn't show in revenue, 9 and I don't understand why it doesn't show 10 on Page 1 in our revenue. And we are going 11 to get with our CPA and maybe he's got a 12 reason or maybe we have a different way to 13 account for it, but I don't see how you can 14 get that size money and not show it 15 somewhere on your report as revenue. So we 16 are looking into that, too. 17 MR. POTEET: 18 Did it come in in April? 19 MR. ROBINSON: 20 No, it came in in March. 21 So any questions or comments 22 on the financial report? Do you want to 23 make a motion to accept it? 24 MR. BREWER: 25 I make motion to accept the

- Once we have that, we have, I think, only a
- few days to provide our brief. Also, it is
- 3 not on here, but the Sunshine Boats --
- what's the name of that? We filed our brief
- ⁵ in that matter. So we timely filed our
- brief in that. That's where we were in St.
- ⁷ Tammany Parish trying to enforce the orders
- that the Commission had entered into
- including the two, \$2,000 fine -- per day
- fines. So that's -- everything is going
- well with that.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- So what appellate court is.
- 14 that?
- MR. HALLACK:
- First Circuit. Both of these
- are in the First Circuit.
- The last thing is, like the
- Chairman said, we received our check from
- New York Marine. He called me on April 9
- and said that he was issuing five more
- checks on Main Street Motors, but those were
- just the claims against the bond for the
- unpaid sales taxes. That's it.
- Does anybody have any

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     questions?
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                    (No response.)
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               MR. ROBINSON:
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                    Thank you, Mr. Hallack.
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                    Item D, policy and
     procedures, Mr. Parnell -- Director Parnell.
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               MR. PARNELL:
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                    This item discussion to amend
     policy and procedure #78. It came up in
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     discussion because of proposed legislation
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     of House Bill 589 that affects the rent with
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     the option to purchase dealers. As I
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     understand it, these arguments have been
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     going on for quite sometime. The argument
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     is pretty much that the Commission has not
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     been enforcing the actual statute that's in
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     place, which is -- if you look towards the
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     back, it's revised statute 32:793(D), which
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     states every rental dealer shall maintain a
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     contingent automobile liability policy of
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     insurance with minimums of $100,000 per
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     occurrence, $300,000 aggregate and $50,000
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     in property damage, and it shall not be
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     sufficient for any rental dealer to share in
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     the policy of insurance which could under
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- any circumstance create a limit of less than
- 2 what is set forth here in. Such policies
- will be placed if available through an
- insurance company licensed by and an
- 5 admitted in the State of Louisiana.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Excuse me, do we have anybody
- here about this particular item?
- 9 MR. HALLACK:
- Mr. Barry Ward with the
- Department of Insurance.
- MR. PARNELL:
- Pretty much what they were
- doing is, the House Bill 589, it would
- change the language in the law, take it out
- of the bill in the provision. Also, it
- would be specific quidelines as it relates
- to the share and matching policies. From my
- understanding and from my reading through
- the minutes that this Commission has been
- 21 acting -- they created policy 78 -- policy
- and procedure #78. Basically, that
- procedure -- it states in that procedure
- that it was done with the approval of the
- Commission of Insurance that if you have to

- join a certain organization and adhere to
- all of the guidelines of that organization,
- then that insurance is not available.
- 4 That's what this Commission has been acting
- on. The argument -- the counter argument
- from the representatives was that we are
- just not following the law as it states.
- There was a meeting that we held,
- 9 Commissioner Duplessis, Mr. Hallack, Barry
- Ward, and some others members from SEADRA
- and their lobbyists. They came in and we
- sat down. They were supposed to put forth
- that bill 589 last Monday, but they agreed
- not to push it through because we wanted to
- get an opportunity to talk about the policy
- and procedure #78. Commissioner Duplessis
- was there and I would like him to go ahead
- and interject.
- MR. DUPLESSIS:
- Basically, the reason that we
- have this argument is we don't know how to
- interpret it. So we've often asked Mr.
- Barry Ward from the Insurance Commissioner's
- 24 -- Department of Insurance to explain to us
- actually the definition of admitted and

- available, and what we found was an
- organization by the name of SEADRA had
- territories, and those territories excluded
- other dealers from getting insurance or
- becoming a member within that territory. So
- then that policy was not available to the
- ⁷ general public or to that dealer. Well, we
- 8 are not -- our interpretation is that an
- 9 organization should not have the ability to
- create a monopoly or limit the free
- enterprise ability in the state.
- Basically, rent to own is
- providing transportation for the lower
- income portion of the community, provide
- transportation since we don't have a state
- with great mass transportation. So we can't
- try to put people out of business. Our job
- is to regulate and try to promote this.
- So we determined that if
- there was not something on the admitted
- list, then we went to what is called the
- white list, which is the second tier of
- state insurances that may not be approved on
- that particular item of business, but they
- were approved and admitted in the State and

- they offer a master policy which includes

 contingent or vicarious liability
- contingent or vicarious liability.
- So we have agreed to accept
- 4 those and make it a competitive format where
- you can have competition with more than one
- 6 dealer and get an area. So that was the
- reason for it and they approached this and
- we kind of felt that SEADRA was trying to
- get us to help legislate a monopoly. Well,
- we quickly put our hands up and said we can
- be no part of a legislative legal monopoly
- through one organization or one company. So
- we tried to reach a compromise. And I
- didn't think their bill would sell well to
- the Legislature in a down economy trying to
- limit competition. So that was kind of our
- position. So we agreed to take the
- legislation off the table and work to reach
- a compromise. So, at that point, Ms. Morris
- was here and I will let Barry speak to it.
- He is more probably in tune to it better
- than I am.
- MS. MORRIS:
- Mr. Hallack was handling the
- insurance.

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                MR. DUPLESSIS:
                    I'm sorry, Mr. Hallack.
                MR. ROBINSON:
                    Before we get to Mr. Ward,
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     Robert, you've dealt with this for years, I
     mean, the two Commissions prior. Under the
     Blanco administration, this organization
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     dealt with RTO on this same subject. So why
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     don't you give them a little background.
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     Wasn't there also another problem this
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     particular company, SEADRA, was the only,
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     quote, "admitted carrier"?
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               MR. HALLACK:
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                    Well, they were the only
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     broker for the only admitted carrier.
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               MR. ROBINSON:
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                    This created another
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     monopoly?
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               MR. HALLACK:
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                    Yes.
                          That's correct.
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     began in 1998 when this group called SEADRA
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     was trying to formulate what we call rent to
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           That means you rent a car and at the
     own.
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     end of your rental contract, you own that
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car if you make it that far. The title of

- the car remains in the name of the dealer,
- which the dealer likes because they believe
- that that allows them to repossess the
- vehicle with no notice, no -- nothing
- ⁵ whatsoever. So it was very attractive for a
- 6 dealer. It was very attractive for the
- onsumer, because these are people that
- 8 could not get traditional financing. So it
- ⁹ offered a lot to both sides.
- so in 1998, a judge in
- Jefferson Parish ordered -- between the Used
- Motor Vehicle Commission and the New Car
- 13 Commission, they ordered the Used Motor
- Vehicle Commission to regulate it. And it's
- supposed to be vehicles that are at least
- two years older or older. Anything outside
- of that, we would consider that to be a
- lease and that would be regulated by the New
- 19 Car Commission. So we received a judgment
- from Jefferson Parish ordering us to
- regulate it, eventually re-started adopting
- rules and regulations.
- In 2004, we went ahead and
- put it in statute form and basically what we
- did was, we borrowed a statute from Oklahoma

- and used that as the framework to come up
 with what we wrote. Some of it was changed
- and tweaked by the representatives of SEADRA
- that kind of put in language that was very
- ⁵ favorable to their operation and that
- language was the Statute 793(D), which I
- think is in your packet. This requires that
- the dealer carry contingent liability
- insurance, which means that if the operator
- of that vehicle fails to maintain insurance
- on that car as he is required to do by state
- law, the minimum requirements, then the
- dealer's contingent liability insurance is
- supposed to provide coverage up until a
- certain point where the dealer can make that
- correction, either bring the car back in or
- whatever the dealer needs to do to make the
- customer put the insurance back on the car.
- So -- but included in Subsection D was also
- a few other requirements, one that the
- 21 policy be 100/300. The other that the
- policy only be written by an admitted
- carrier. An admitted carrier is someone who
- pays in, and Mr. Ward might correct me on
- this a little bit, is an insurance company

- that pays into the LIGA fund, the Louisiana
- Insurance Guaranty Association Fund. Well,
- 3 at that time, there was also --
- MR. ROBINSON:
- 5 That's what makes somebody an
- 6 admitted carrier?
- MR. HALLACK:
- Well, admitted is not
- 9 actually defined under the statute. So
- that's general --
- MR. ROBINSON:
- I've just heard this
- terminology forever.
- MR. WARD:
- An admitted company has
- submitted a request for a certificate of
- authority to operate in the State of
- Louisiana. These other companies are
- surplus line companies, like Lexington, for
- example, who are domiciled elsewhere, who
- 21 aren't actually authorized, if you will, or
- admitted to operate in the State of
- Louisiana, but if somebody needs coverage
- that is not available through an admitted
- carrier, say Mardi Gras float coverage or

- something like that, then you can go through
- ² a surplus lines company who is on the white
- list, people who have all of the financial
- 4 backing and all of that necessary to operate
- in the state, just don't have a certificate
- of authority issued by the State of
- ⁷ Louisiana. An admitted company is a company
- that has a certificate of authority issued
- by the State of Louisiana.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- So it's basically based on if
- they have the financial wherewithal to get
- the certificate, is that kind of the bottom
- 14 line?
- MR. WARD:
- There are a lot of smaller
- companies that have certificates of
- authority. It's not merely a financial
- ¹⁹ matter.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Well, would it be speculation
- on your part to suggest why a company
- wouldn't try to get that certificate?
- MR. WARD:
- Because they don't want to be

So, obviously, surplus lines

- 1 is very common in Louisiana? 2 MR. WARD: 3 Very common. It's very 4 And that is -- basically, the only common. 5 difference is that the surplus lines policy 6 has to have that stamp on it saying that this policy is issued by a surplus lines company, not admitted in the State of Louisiana and it has LIGA or at least 10 Insurance Guaranty Fund backing for that 11 So you have to default to the 12 financial wherewithal of that individual 13 company, particularly if you look at the 14 financial requirements of being on the white 15 list, which is the approved unauthorized 16 insurers, their financial requirements are 17 much larger than our requirements for being 18 an admitted carrier. 19 MR. ROBINSON: 20 Thank you.
- MR. HALLACK:
- So according to the statute,

 you have to purchase this insurance from an

 admitted carrier. And what happened was, we

 soon learned in enforcing this provision

- that there was only one admitted carrier
- being sold in Louisiana and that was from
- ³ Great American, and Great American was sold
- exclusively by SEADRA.
- Now, if you're not familiar
- 6 with SEADRA, SEADRA is an organization --
- you have to be a member and the policy is a
- very -- the premium -- the annual premium is
- only like \$1,200 or even \$1,000. So the
- policy itself is not being sold for a
- ridiculous amount of money, but you have to
- be a member of SEADRA in order to purchase
- the policy. You have to pay -- at one time,
- they called it an administrative fee, which
- is \$20 per vehicle that is out on your rent
- to own contract per month, \$20 per vehicle
- per month that is done on a rent to own
- contract. So the membership fee is what was
- the high dollar mark for the policy. So in
- order to buy the Great American policy, you
- had to be a member of SEADRA. To be in
- SEADRA, you had to buy the policy.
- At one time when we looked at
- this, the earlier Commission, there were
- exclusive territories. In other words, if

- there was already a SEADRA dealer, for
- instance, in Hammond that -- and again
- exclusive territory, there could be no other
- SEADRA dealers there and, therefore, you
- 5 couldn't do rent to own if that was the only
- 6 policy available to you. So the Commission
- ⁷ looked at it and said, well, if this is the
- only policy available, then that's not
- 9 really available. We need to give our
- dealers an option on where they can get
- their insurance and if this is the only one
- available, then they can go to the approved
- white list. And so that's what policy #78
- was developed to do, was to allow dealers an
- option of looking at this.
- Now, House Bill 589 --
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Which is current.
- MR. HALLACK:
- -- which is current --
- MR. ROBINSON:
- This is the -- current in the
- Legislature as we speak.
- MR. HALLACK:
- Right. It removes two things

- from the bill -- the bill removes two things
- from 793(D). One, it removes the shared or
- master policy exception. The law allows a
- dealer to purchase a shared or master
- ⁵ policy. Most of our dealers, 36 I believe
- that it was, most of our dealers are insured
- through this policy. I can't remember --
- Derek, do you remember the name of that?
- 9 MR. PARNELL:
- It was through GMI.
- MR. HALLACK:
- GMI. And that's where most
- of our dealers are insured. It's a master
- policy. So if this amendment passes, then
- that's no longer allowed. That exception is
- removed and the dealer can no longer buy a
- shared or master policy.
- The second thing that the
- amendment would remove, House Bill 589 would
- remove, is "if available". In other words,
- that's it. You can only have insurance from
- an admitted carrier, period. If you don't
- have insurance from an admitted carrier,
- then you can't do rent to own. So those are
- two exceptions that are being removed under

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House Bill 589. So in an effort to try to
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     compromise that, we asked SEADRA if there
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     were changes to policy #78 that we could
     make that would satisfy them and ask them to
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     withdraw House Bill 589, and they approached
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     us with something. We had made an agreement
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     as to language in the meeting, and then they
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     proposed some language that wasn't what we
     really agreed to, and then we sent back
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     something else which I think they are in
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     agreement with.
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                MR. DUPLESSIS:
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                    On the last communication?
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                MR. HALLACK:
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                    Because what they sent out
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     was something totally different than what we
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     agreed to at the meeting.
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                MR. HALLACK:
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                    Correct.
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                   PARNELL:
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                    This is it, right?
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               MS. BARON:
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                    It's all in the packet.
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MR. ROBINSON:

- Mr. Ward, most -- I know
- there are all different kinds of insurance.
- 4 Most of those, are there ways that you can
- use what you refer to here, this gentleman,
- as the white sheet or non-admitted carrier.
- is that common in almost all types of
- 8 insurance?

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- 9 MR. WARD:
- It is. And that's -- one of
- the topics that was covered in the meeting
- was who decides what is available or not.
- And, you know, I thought that during the
- course of that meeting we discussed that,
- you know, the agent or the dealer himself is
- not able to determine whether or not that
- policy is available. He has to call an
- insurance broker or someone and tell them,
- look, I need to get a policy of contingent
- liability coverage. The agent will survey
- the marketplace and determine whether or not
- it is available and if it's not, then he has
- to sign an affidavit saying, I searched the
- marketplace, this coverage is not available
- and I'm going to go through the surplus

- lines marketplace to get it, and he has to
- sign an affidavit stating that and that's
- basically where the determination of the
- ⁴ availability takes place.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- That's currently State law or
- regulations by your department?
- MR. WARD:
- That is how it's done.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Okay. Regardless of whether
- it would be contingent liability or --
- MR. WARD:
- Correct.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- -- maybe some health
- coverage?
- MR. WARD:
- Correct. And, you know, one
- of the things that we are doing --
- MR. ROBINSON:
- I'm sorry, but what we are
- asking for here is the norm, I guess, for
- the insurance industry.
- MR. WARD:

1 That is the norm for the insurance industry. The approved list is 3 the norm. Yes, there are a number of surplus lines companies out there, but only 5 those -- the white list is those companies 6 that have submitted documentation to the Department of Insurance showing their financial strength and other filings, that they have everything that we require other 10 than a certificate of authority. And the 11 reason for their enhanced financial strength 12 is because they are not on -- or they don't 13 -- they are not part of the Insurance 14 Guaranty Association, whereas, LIGA will 15 back the admitted carrier. Since there is 16 no backing, they have to have enhanced 17 financial strength to operate outside of 18 that quaranty association. 19 And one of the things that we 20 are doing right now is surveying the 21 admitted companies, and I quess after 22 reading this, there is no need to survey 23 surplus lines companies to find out who is 24 willing to write the contingent liability 25 coverage in this state. There are other --

- there are companies out there that may have
- on their certificate of authority lines of
- authority not being used at this point.
- ⁴ They may be willing to open some resource.
- ⁵ I don't know. I don't know. We haven't
- gotten it out yet. We haven't gotten
- responses to it. But we are going to try to
- figure out if there are any other companies
- out there besides Great American, who
- operates through SEADRA, and one or two
- other names that I've heard.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- I have had our agency contact
- the list of companies supposedly that are
- available. It was 40 something companies.
- MR. PARNETIT:
- 17 It was 92 on that list.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- And we've contacted how many?
- MR. PARNELL:
- Probably about 20 or so.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- And not a single one offered
- it, but yet we are being told all of these
- companies offer it.

MR. WARD:

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2 Well, as I was looking 3 through this, not the -- the second to last -- third to last paragraph, it says, "Be it further resolved that there is only one admitted carrier offering contingent 7 liability insurance in Louisiana." I was 8 talking to a couple of guys prior to the last meeting and they said that they were 10 the only two dealerships that this one 11 particular company would write. So even 12 though that company is admitted and has two 13 policyholders, he is not offering it to 14 anybody else. So I don't know if his being here is -- fits this definition of offering 15 16 or is this talking about somebody who is 17 taking on new business, not just somebody 18 who is in the state, but yet has a closed 19 window, if you will. 20

MR. HALLACK:

21 GMI did -- GMI is an admitted 22 They offer a policy alone to two carrier. 23 That's it. They have told of our dealers. 24 us that they are not going to write any more 25 policies, only that you have to be a member

1 of Northland. 2 Northland offers a rent to 3 own group as well. So of the other 34 4 people who have a policy with GMI, it's all 5 -- they are all getting the policy on a 6 master policy or a shared policy. So House Bill 589 will eliminate that, but they are not writing any new policies. 9 MR. ROBINSON: 10 Unless you go through 11 Northland, which is a sister corporation; is 12 that it? 13 MR. HALLACK: 14 Well, it's not a sister, but 15 it's a --16 MR. DUPLESSIS: 17 Affiliated. 1.8 MR. HALLACK: 19 Well, they are actually 20 opposed to each other. Northland actually 21 came up with a rent to own system and SEADRA kind of borrowed it. So they are not -- I 22 23 quess --24 MR. ROBINSON: 25 GMI and Northland have

- ¹ nothing in common?
- MR. HALLACK:
- No. No. They have something
- in common. To buy the GMI policy now, you
- have to go through Northland to get it. We
- 6 have two stand alone dealers who got in on
- it early that did have to be members.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- So it is or is not part of
- the same company, GMI and Northland?
- MR. HALLACK:
- They are not part of the same
- 13 -- I wouldn't think they are the part of the
- same. It's just that Northland is an
- exclusive broker for the GMI policy now.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- So they are somewhat like
- 18 SEADRA?
- MR. HALLACK:
- Yes, sir, very much. What
- they offer is a shared policy.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- And they are \$10 a month per
- car instead of \$20 a month per car.
- MR. HALLACK:

the language in it that was talked about

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- during the meeting. I had Robert Hallack
- draft an amended policy and procedure which
- actually is something that they agree with.
- The one that's in your packet, they just had
- two lines that they weren't in agreement
- with and I have asked Mr. Hallack to go back
- in and look at those lines and make the
- 8 change on those and those were the only two
- ⁹ things. Other than that, they said they
- were in agreement and they wouldn't move
- 11 forward with it.
- MR. PARNELL:
- And what we have passed out
- has some things.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- What does this change
- exactly?
- MR. HALLACK:
- If there is any other
- ²⁰ admitted carrier available, then those
- dealers have to choose from one of those
- two. In other words, you either have to
- have a GMI policy or you have to have a
- Great American policy. And those are only
- offered through association in those groups,

- and that's the biggest change. Under the
- 2 pending policy #78, if there is not enough
- admitted available, then you go through the
- approved list, but this says -- the amended
- policy #78 says if there's more than one,
- ⁶ you've got to get from one of those two.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- You can't go to the white
- 9 list?
- MR. HALLACK:
- No. If there's more than
- one, you cannot go to the white list.
- 13 That's correct. Whereas, under the current
- policy #78, yes, you can go to the white
- list.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- So how is this good for the
- public and good for the dealers?
- MR. HALLACK:
- This amended policy #78,
- well, it's not.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- I'm not just asking you, any
- of you.
- MR. HALLACK:

- It's not a good policy, but
- it is a compromise right now. If House Bill
- ³ 589 passes, then the only carrier in which a
- dealer would be able to get contingent
- 5 liability insurance is through Great
- ⁶ American, which is sold exclusively by
- SEADRA. So if you want to do rent to own,
- 8 if House Bill 589 passes, you have to be a
- 9 SEADRA member. That's what we're looking
- at. If that amendment passes, if that bill
- passes, that's the only policy rent to own
- can do. Now, let's look at some numbers.
- In 2009, we had a 107 rent to own dealers.
- Now, we have only have --
- MR. PARNELL:
- ¹⁶ 65.
- MR. HALLACK:
- -- 65. That's almost double.
- We almost lost half of our dealers, because
- I think most of the problem was getting this
- insurance.
- MR. DUPLESSIS:
- Let me make a clarification
- there, and we stumbled on this and we have
- got to research this. That is not exactly

- true. We may have previous licensees of
- ² 107, less than 62 that are currently not
- licensed under this Commission or the New
- 4 Car Commission.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- We may have some dealers that
- fell through the cracks on licensing.
- MR. PARNELL:
- And what we did was, this
- past week, I had Kim print out a list of all
- of the dealers that we originally had that
- are not licensed or did not renew their
- license this year with the Commission, and I
- sent that out to all of the field
- investigators and they are actually actively
- going out and looking at each and every one.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Shouldn't we first contact
- the New Car Commission to see if --
- MR. PARNELL:
- I've already done that as
- well.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- They didn't register with the
- ²⁵ licenses --

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She knew of some and I sent 3 her the list actually last week and she said she is going to try to get that back to me 5 the beginning of next week to let me know exactly which ones that didn't go through 7 with them. She was telling me, Lessie 8 House, was that a lot of the dealers that were rent to own were trying to go into 10 leasing. They didn't meet the requirements 11 for leasing. So they were denied through 12 the New Car Commission and she doesn't know 13 what happened to them after that. So she 14 may have some that are over there, but she 15 doesn't know, because she said she hadn't 16 checked. 17

MR. DUPLESSIS:

She has two, and she has only picked up two that have -- you have to submit a lease -- your actual lease documents for approval. They also do the finance of new cars. And only two had proper lease instruments. The remainder just dropped off the face of the earth and they are probably doing business without

- either being licensed by the New Car or Used
- or they might have a used car dealership
- license and not a rent to own license. So
- they slid through there and I think they are
- looking for the insurance and if we were to
- go in there and shut them down without
- providing that, that would probably
- ⁸ automatically trigger the repossession, if
- we do it properly, of all these rent to own
- vehicles out there.
- MR. HALLACK:
- That's the other side of it,
- too. If we force them to only get insurance
- from one source, then they will have to kick
- a bunch of people out of their contract. I
- mean by that the consumers that are buying
- the cars, because they are under a car
- that's under a different policy. If we
- require them to change policy, it may kick
- them out of their contract. So you could
- 21 potentially affect hundreds of consumers
- that are driving cars under current contract
- that would lose their cars.
- MR. DUPLESSIS:
- But if they have a legitimate

- contract, if the dealer provides -- or fails
- to provide the license requirements, they
- are going to have a lawsuit against that
- dealer and I don't know how this is going to
- 5 act, but here we have kind of an industry
- that's providing cars and transportation for
- ⁷ the public and we are going to go in and
- legislate a bunch of lawsuits, put a bunch
- of people out of business, put a bunch of
- people out of cars, spur lawsuits, and if
- they can't get to work and have a job, what
- has this Commission accomplished? We
- haven't accomplished anything except
- compromising a bill that's in the
- 15 Legislature.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Mr. Ward, from the Insurance
- Department, what's your take on this, that
- they want us to vote on today, have you had
- a chance to read it?
- MR. WARD:
- I have. It's not what I
- thought was the agreement when I left here.
- I thought they were going to approve the
- white list carriers, I would say what Mr.

- Duplessis was talking about coming down the
- 2 pipe. I mean, there's just nowhere to go.
- 3 It just seems like it closes all of the
- loopholes and puts SEADRA as the only
- 5 carrier. I did speak with a fellow who was
- with Great American, probably a year and a
- 7 half ago, and he said that he did not want
- 8 to be the only carrier for this type of
- 9 coverage in the State of Louisiana. So I
- don't know where that leaves him.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Does -- the Insurance
- Department, is it their position, would they
- fight passage of a bill that's currently --
- are they going to -- is the insurance going
- to go to committee and testify against that
- ¹⁷ bill?
- MR. WARD:
- When I spoke to my executive
- counsel about that when I first read this
- thing, he said that we would have to take
- some kind of action to prevent this. Now,
- that was when it first came out, when it was
- first brought to my attention. We haven't
- had a discussion about it since, but I can't

- imagine that his position changed. Now,
- that's not the Commissioner's position. I
- don't know if the Commissioner has been
- ⁴ apprised of the bill at all.

MR. HALLACK:

- You have to understand, about
- ⁷ every year we get a demand from SEADRA to
- enforce the law as it's written, and
- sometimes that demand comes with a letter
- from the Attorney General chastising us for
- not enforcing the law as it's written.
- Sometimes that comes with a letter from
- 13 Commissioner Donelon that says we are not
- enforcing the law as written. Historically,
- we have pretty much said, well, this is how
- we are interpreting "if available". If
- somebody else wants to challenge us on that,
- then go ahead.

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MR. DUPLESSIS:

- I think the bottom line is
- real simple. How many consumer lawsuits,
- how many consumers have come in here
- complaining about the rent to own,
- complaining about not having coverage on
- vicarious or contingent liability. We never

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 m l}$ see an issue surface in front of us that we
- are not serving the industry properly, but
- when you don't deliver title on the used
- d car, the consumers are saying I have paid my
- money, I want my title and we have to
- address that, but I do not recall a single
- ⁷ case that we've ever heard on not being able
- b to provide a reasonable form of contingent
- or vicarious liability in the state.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- So the bottom line is that we
- a adopt this as new policy or they move
- forward with the bill?
- MS. MORRIS:
- 15 Yes, sir.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Just so y'all understand.
- And, you know, my preference as Chairman,
- topics like this is to introduce it and vote
- on it at the next meeting and let you guys
- go back and do your homework on it, talk to
- dealers or whatever you want to do. If we
- take no action, if we wait to vote on it
- next month, they are going to go ahead and
- introduce the bill. If we vote not to

- implement this, they are going to go ahead
- and introduce the bill.
- MR. HALLACK:
- And they have a very
- ⁵ aggressive lobbyist. He will probably -- he
- will take the quickest action he possibly
- ⁷ can take.
- MR. PARNELL:
- He is pushing it through. I
- spoke to him on Thursday and that's where
- 11 they stand.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- So the question really goes
- back to what Ron said, is the Legislature
- going to vote to allow a single carrier and
- literally put a few thousand people out of
- their cars? If we've got 36 dealers, we've
- got at least -- you got 3,000, 4,000
- vehicles on the street.
- MR. HALLACK:
- In 2007, we proposed the
- 22 anti-SEADRA bill. It was pulled before it
- was ever taken up by the committee, but
- basically the bill said as long as you are
- carrying a policy of insurance that will

- provide coverage on that car while it's on
- the road, you are meeting our requirements.
- 3 So we didn't care if you labeled it
- 4 contingent. We didn't care how you labeled
- it, as long as that car was being insured,
- 6 and that was the intent of the law. The
- intent of the law was to make sure that car
- was being insured while it was being
- 9 operated. So we didn't care what label you
- put on it. We didn't care if it was
- 100/300. We didn't care if it was from an
- admitted carrier as long as that car was
- being insured. That was our purpose when we
- wrote this law in 2004 and, like I said, it
- got tweaked. How it got tweaked, where it
- got tweaked in the Legislature, I don't
- know, but it got tweaked and got written to
- where it was only an admitted carrier that
- could sell this policy. Like I said, in
- 2007 we tried to amend the rent to own law
- to include whatever a dealer was required to
- carry.
- I mean, just like now, all of
- you have to have garage liability. We're
- not telling you it has to be from an

- admitted carrier. We're not telling you
- 2 what the limits are. Just as long as you
- have garage liability insurance. That's all
- 4 that really matters.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Any Commissioners, do y'all
- have any questions or comments? I know it
- is a lot of information. Any questions or
- 9 comments from anybody?
- MR. POTEET:
- What is the -- what are the
- chances of the passage of this bill?
- MR. DUPLESSIS:
- I think it depends on who --
- when it goes to the committee.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- 17 Is it Commerce?
- MR. HALLACK:
- Yes.
- MR. DUPLESSIS:
- It's going to be Commerce.
- They are going to ask us to -- I think we
- are obligated and the two people that
- certainly need to be there is Director
- Parnell and probably Robert Hallack and

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     possibly Barry. And, to me, I think you sit
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     at the table and let the Legislators ask you
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     questions about how this is going to affect
     their constituents. When they get up after
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     they vote, good, bad or indifferent, they
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     are going to have to go back and face the
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     constituents in their marketplace.
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     first thing that they are going to hear is,
     I was paying my bill to rent to own, it's
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     the only transportation I had to bring my
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     kids to school and I was trying to rebuild
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     my credit and I have a job, I'm trying to
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     work, and now I'm wheel-less because we
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     passed a monopoly on an insurance company
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     for some agenda. I just don't think they
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     are going to have the stomach for that in
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     this session. So I think it's a fairly easy
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     thing, but the core thing is, are we
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     benefiting the people of Louisiana in trying
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     to get them to work and provide for their
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     families or are we complicating their lives
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     in providing a law that prevents that?
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     That's the bottom line. That's what the
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     Legislators are going to take away.
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- I think legally you have to
- oppose the bill. Politically, it depends on
- how strong you are. We have a fee bill
- that's very important to this Commission.
- You know, I think politically, we need to
- keep calm waters and, you know, we don't
- need opposition from sources that we didn't
- see originally. From a political source,
- you may be accepting a compromise at this
- point, and then re-looking at it next year
- when we've got our fee bill underneath us
- and we are a lot stronger.

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MR. ROBINSON:

- What Robert is saying is, we
- got our fee bill out of committee without
- any -- without a single person speaking
- against it. And we go before the House
- tomorrow, which is the big vote, the full
- House. And, you know, between now and then,
- they could very easily find somebody to get
- up and speak against our fee increase.
- That's the way of the world. That's part of
- the equation y'all need to be aware of. I'm
- just a little more direct than the Attorney
- Hallack. And that's the way of the world.

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MR. PARNELL:

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- Right.
 2 MR. HALLACK:
- 3 So that many others are
- SEADRA dealers.
- MR. PARNELL:
- No, 26 are SEADRA dealers.
- ⁷ It's a total of 62, I think is the correct
- number. 26 are with SEADRA and 30 are with
- ⁹ GMI and National.
- MR. HALLACK:
- And if you go to those 39
- SEADRA dealers -- you know, usually, people
- that are adamantly opposed to working with
- SEADRA, they have been involved in
- 15 litigation with SEADRA and there is bad
- blood between. So if you were to go to one
- of those 30 something dealers, they would be
- on top of their seats screaming and
- hollering that you can't do this.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- In fact, in prior Commission
- meetings, we've had testimony where people
- tried to get away and get out from SEADRA
- and they were all -- and they were sued in
- the appropriate district court to keep them

- from meeting and trying to get away from
- ² SEADRA.
- MR. HALLACK:
- Yes. We have at least five
- 5 dealers that have been involved in hotly
- 6 contested litigation that ended up on
- ⁷ appeal. One dealer I know of, he has three
- dealerships, one in Houma, one in Leesville,
- ⁹ and one in Shreveport and he filed
- bankruptcy and he couldn't get out of the
- 11 SEADRA deal. He was forced to go into
- bankruptcy. And that's easy for rent to
- own. I think it's L&G or something like
- that in Houma -- J&G.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Does any other Commissioner
- have any question or comment?
- 18 (No response.)
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Derek, Ron, you are the guys
- that -- and I appreciate Ron attending the
- meeting. It's a long way for me to go to a
- 10 to 45 minute meeting. So Ron was very
- kind to sit in and I appreciate that. You
- quys were there.

- And I guess this was done
- between you and their attorney, Robert, this
- 3 policy?
- MR. HALLACK:
- ⁵ Actually, I wrote it and gave
- it to Derek and Derek gave it to their
- ⁷ people.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- So is it -- do y'all have a
- recommendation, do you think this is
- something we should do or leave our policy
- 12 as it stands?
- MR. HALLACK:
- Well, like I commented,
- there's a legal solution and there's a
- political solution, and I think each Board
- member needs to come to terms with what he
- thinks the most important is. I can't --
- legally, I wrote the amendment for the 2007
- that would allow the dealer to get -- just
- as long as that car was insured, it met the
- requirements of the law. So I'd rather see
- our dealers have every option available to
- them to perform this type of business, and
- I'd like for our consumers to have every

- option available to them to be in a car that
- they could not ordinarily get into under
- traditional financing.

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MR. DUPLESSIS:

- 5 Let me say this. We are --
- ⁶ I've been involved with this Commission for
- ⁷ a long time and legislation through the new
- 8 car dealers and a lot of things and I have a
- lot of experience, along with Ms. Morris and
- Mr. Hallack, and this Commission has been
- under a fire storm the last two years and
- saddled with a bad reputation. And we would
- go up there to the Legislature and just get
- rocks thrown at us. We have cleaned up our
- act. We are developing a very professional
- reputation very quickly. Derek shows well.
- He sells well. He's smart. Ms. Morris does
- very well, and Mr. Hallack represents us for
- years in a very methodic manner. We are
- rebuilding our reputation. If we were to
- allow us to go through and you've got
- consumers out of cars and dealers out of
- business, my God, we will have TV cameras in
- 24 here and we would be on the spot. And I
- just don't think this is what we were

- assigned to do. It's to benefit the people
- of the State of Louisiana and help
- understand industry regulation and giving
- one company a monopoly or putting consumers
- in harm's way, I just don't think is the
- ⁶ purpose or to the benefit of this
- ⁷ Commission.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- However, this procedure,
- there would be two companies.
- MR. DUPLESSIS:
- It would, and I still -- you
- know, we forget -- let's don't forget about
- the 60 guys that are flying under the radar
- here and if we start to put -- if we are
- only addressing 20 percent of the dealers
- and we are going to be a fire storm, I just
- think that the fire storm -- if they are
- strong enough to put this through and
- convince the Legislators it's good for the
- people of Louisiana -- and that's what they
- are going to do. Then, the obligation is
- going to be on them and not us, and then I
- think Barry's commission -- Barry's office
- is going to have to step in and there's

- going to have to be some executive rulings,
- because I just don't think you want to see
- five, seven, eight thousand people out of
- d cars, and that's very well what we may be
- obligated and forced to do if we have to
- enforce the law and that is the law. And,
- boy, we are in a pickle. So I think we have
- to stand up on our own two feet and muster
- our integrity and say this is not for the
- benefit of the consumer. That's the way I
- 11 see it.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Mr. Wright, the LAIDA, do you
- have RTO dealers in your organization?
- MR. WRIGHT:
- A couple.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Do you have any position on
- this, LAIDA?
- MR. WRIGHT:
- I haven't brought it up to my
- Board. I really couldn't say.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Do you do recommend that we
- not adopt this procedure?

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MR. DUPLESSIS:
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That's my recommendation, Mr.

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MR. ROBINSON:

Mr. Parnell, what is your --

6 MR. PARNELL:

I kind of -- I agree with

both. I kind of see it as neither option is

⁹ really that good for the consumer and for

this Commission, but I also see that we do

have the fee bill that's out there right

now. What we've been doing is, we've been

doing -- as Commissioner Duplessis is

saying, we've changed the face of this

15 Commission and we are moving in a direction

where not a lot of unwanted attention is on

us. If that -- they move that bill through,

the argument is going to be that this

Commission is categorically not following

and upholding the law as it's written, which

would put a lot of unneeded and unwanted

pressure on this Commission at the same time

we are trying to move this bill through.

I kind of have the agreement

that we do need to make changes to that

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     legislation, because it's really not
     beneficial to really anyone but SEADRA, but
     this amendment right here, I believe that
     it's something that we can do as of now and
     next year look towards trying to stand
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     strong and to change the legislation.
                MR. ROBINSON:
                    Any other Commissioner?
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                MR. POTEET:
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                    Mr. Chairman, I would like to
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     make a motion that we take a five minute
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     recess before we vote.
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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                    There is a motion.
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                    Is there a second?
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                MR. DUPLESSIS:
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                    I'll second.
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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                    All in favor?
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                    (All "Aye" responses.)
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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                    Five minute recess, anyone
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     opposed?
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                    (No response.)
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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- All right. We'll be back in
- five minutes.
- (Recess taken.)
- MR. ROBINSON:
- ⁵ All right. The Used Motor
- Wehicle Commission is back in session. We
- left off at policy and procedure, which was
- Item 4D on the agenda. We need to decide
- what it is that we -- what action we want to
- take on this policy and procedure #78.
- Any commissioner, any other
- questions from anybody, any comment from any
- of the Commissioners?
- MR. DUPLESSIS:
- Mr. Chairman, let me make
- this comment and I will make a motion. In
- legislation, I think we often say that
- legislation is like making sausage. You may
- not want to see how it's made, you just want
- to see the end product. And it's -- often
- you get into a kind of fire storm of your
- options, but, you know, the core thing is
- here, we held a Legislative Committee
- meeting in January and we asked everybody to
- come and bring their issues and submit them.

- We had a little input and we had a good
- many. I think to put pressure on these
- 3 Commissioners today without having the input
- of our dealers, our consumers, SEADRA,
- ⁵ whoever -- Northland, whoever wants to come
- and talk and work this out for legislation
- next year, I think that's what we do. We
- hold a hearing and we make a decision what's
- best for the dealers and the consumers and
- the general public. With that being said, I
- don't think that we can take and move this
- bill -- this policy forward, but I would
- recommend that we consider changing our
- policy in future months and we get input
- from all sides.
- So my motion is to table this
- discussion until at least next month until
- we can bring in the people we represent, the
- consumers, the dealers and the insurance
- company and equally hear everybody's voice,
- and then craft a piece of legislation or
- reaction to the legislation that would best
- benefit the people of Louisiana.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- And that's a motion?

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                MR. DUPLESSIS:
                     That's a motion, sir.
                MR. POTEET:
                     I'll second that.
                MR. ROBINSON:
                     We have a motion and a
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     second.
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                     Any comments, any other
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     discussion from any Commissioner?
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                     (No response.)
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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                     All in favor of that motion
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     say "Aye."
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                     (All "Aye" responses.)
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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                    Anyone opposed?
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                     (No response.)
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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                    Hearing none, the motion
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     passes.
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                    Item 5, Executive Director.
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                MR. HALLACK:
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                    We have one other item that
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     might require action this month or next
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     month.
              June Powell is investigating a case
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- involving garage liability insurance and
- that's why I asked Mr. Ward to kind of stay
- on. We need to do something about garage
- 4 liability insurance because of what happened
- ⁵ to this particular dealer.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Do we need an amendment?
- MR. HALLACK:
- No. This is just for
- discussion.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Okay.
- MR. HALLACK:
- We have a dealer, his 17 year
- old son was driving one of the cars in his
- inventory. He gets in a wreck and a lot of
- people are seriously injured. His garage
- liability insurance did not kick in on the
- vehicle and it's our general understanding
- 20 -- our statute requires garage liability
- that covers the cars in the dealer's
- inventory, cars for sale or cars that are
- being used on the highway in whatever
- 24 manner. So -- and I think a lot of people
- believe that if this is a car in my

- inventory that's for sale, it's covered
- ² under my garage liability. But this
- particular man, with his 17-year-old son
- driving the car, he did not have coverage on
- the vehicle. Is that what basically
- everybody understands, their garage
- liability will provide coverage for any car
- in their inventory that's offered for sale?
- 9 MR. ROBINSON:
- No, I can't say that for me.
- I didn't know that minors -- I don't let
- minors drive. I didn't know minors were
- covered.
- MR. BREWER:
- I thought it had to be 21
- years of age.
- MR. HALLACK:
- On your garage liability, you
- 19 have to be 21?
- MR. ROBINSON:
- My policy a 17-year-old
- wouldn't drive a car of mine without a
- parent.
- MR. PARNETIT:
- What happened in that

- particular case is -
 MR. ROBINSON:
- Well, I'm just trying to
- answer your question. No, I don't
- necessarily believe that.
- MR. PARNELL:
- Now, they did have the garage
- liability, but being the fact that the child
- was -- the person was 17 years old, the
- insurance company is not going to cover it.
- 11 They went outside of the parameter of what
- their policy was.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- They need to read the policy.
- MR. HALLACK:
- Yes. Well, that's my
- mistake. I thought it was because he was
- using the vehicle for personal use.
- MR. PARNELL:
- He was using it for personal
- use and he is under the age -- the age that
- is allowed for him to actually have that.
- MR. HALLACK:
- You see, it's the policy of
- this Commission that we don't sit down and

- read an insurance policy to determine it
- provides the coverage that's required by the
- statute. Like I said, the statute requires
- any vehicle offered for sale must be covered
- ⁵ under the garage liability policy. Any car
- that's being driven on the highways for --
- like you are test driving a car or
- demonstrating it or you have a mechanic
- 9 that's test driving it.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- We can see if there is an
- exception in the policy, any type of age or
- minors or what-have-you.
- MR. HALLACK:
- Well, see, the investigator
- was under the belief that we should issue a
- violation ticket if this policy didn't
- provide coverage for the particular
- incident. Her thinking was that he doesn't
- have it for this incident, but it's always
- been our policy as long as the dealers have
- garage liability --
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Mr. Hallack, you need to let
- it run the course and come to the Commission

- at the appropriate time.
- MR. HALLACK:
- I know. We were just under
- 4 the belief that there might have been some
- exceptions under policies that wouldn't
- ⁶ provide coverage and we wanted to alert
- ⁷ everybody to that.
- MR. DUPLESSTS:
- There is -- the actual term
- is just called open lot. That's the name of
- the coverage that would cover a car for
- demonstration, for use.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Which is common for a new car
- dealer, but not for used. I had open lot at
- my new car dealership. Very few I think
- have open lot coverage.
- MR. HALLACK:
- All right.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- All right. Executive
- Director's report, Item 5.
- MR. PARNELL:
- The first item is the fleet
- cars. On April 10, all six of the fleet

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- cars were auctioned off by Property
- ² Assistance. Total money received was
- ³ \$15,900. Property Assistance receives 20
- 4 percent of that and we do receive 80 percent
- of that. They are going through their
- ⁶ process right now of processing the check
- before we can actually receive our 80
- percent of that.
- A little bit further, we were
- just looking into -- as the Commissioner --
- or I should say Chairman Robinson stated
- last month that we just were looking into
- purchasing a vehicle -- a used vehicle, one,
- from somewhere that we don't regulate. I
- spoke with a gentleman at the -- at Property
- Assistance and he's looking into that and
- he's going to give me much more information
- on that in this coming week.
- The second item on that is
- review of March complaint totals. For the
- month of March 1 through March 31, there was
- ²² a total of 58 assigned cases. Twenty were
- completed. Thirty are still open, which
- leaves us at a 34 percent completion rate.
- The year to date, January 1 through March 31

- of 2010, total assigned cases were 158.
- Total completed cases were 75 and 83 cases
- still remain open and we are at 47.5 percent
- of cases completed.

MR. ROBINSON:

- ⁶ You know, I would still like
- to see us -- the sale of the cars is
- unexpected revenue. We have a very old
- 9 fleet. You know, I still might desire that
- we take that money and upgrade one unit,
- because that's all we will have the money
- for, and we talked about that several times.
- So any questions or comments
- for Director Parnell?
- (No response.)
- MR. ROBINSON:
- 17 Item 6, committee report,
- Legislative Committee, Mr. Duplessis.
- MR. DUPLESSIS:
- Well, we are in the -- we are
- starting the session.
- Again, Ms. Morris, kind of
- bring us up to speed on most of the bills.
- You are more attuned with the re-writes than
- I am and so forth.

1 MS. MORRIS: 2 Well, just to address the fee 3 It got out of committee. We did have several dissenting votes. We got the dissenting votes out of the committee 6 members after we had enough to pass it. So 7 there were several on the committee that 8 didn't support it getting out of committee. 9 It goes to the floor for debate on the 21st 10 and the House is a difficult place -- the 11 House floor is a difficult place to get a 12 two-thirds passage, especially on a fee 13 hill. So we will have our chance on 14 Wednesday. 15 MR. ROBINSON: 16 We actually need -- here's 17 how it works. We need 70 votes. If there's 18 only 90 Legislators in the room, you still 19 need 70. If there's 105 in the room, you 20 still need 70. So timing is a lot of it, 21 too, but the magic number is 70. It doesn't 22 matter how many are in attendance. 23 MS. MORRIS: 24 Correct. And sometimes it is 25 difficult if attendance isn't good.

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- Wednesday is good day usually, though, for
- attendance. So that -- we have no changes
- to it. We didn't have any questions. We
- had a lot of questions, but no opposition.
- 5 So no known opposition at this time.
- Our other bill 1189, which is
- the revision, got out of committee. It is
- without any testimony against it, without
- ⁹ any dissenting votes. There was a request
- to place it on the local and consent
- calendar, but it was not placed there. So
- it will come up behind the fee bill at
- sometime. I'm sorry, this one has not gone
- to committee yet, because it was held.
- We had two groups that
- 16 contacted us with issues regarding salvage
- pool and I drafted some amendments --
- proposed amendments to take the salvage
- pool. Their complaint is about the 794
- section where we make certain acts unlawful
- at motor vehicle auctions. And there is one
- group that's willing to work with us. The
- other one just kind of wants the section
- out. So insurance auto auctions did say
- that they were somehow exempted from this

- provision and they would not be against the
- ² bill.
- I sent some amendments for
- Mr. Poteet and Mr. Duplessis to review and
- 5 they were fine with the amendments. I
- submitted them to insurance auto auctions if
- they are still concerned about it. So they
- sent me late Friday some language, which I
- think was passed out to you all earlier, of
- a Pennsylvania definition of a wholesale
- vehicle auction, because we have a
- definition of salvage pool, but we have no
- definition of auction.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- So the concern is insurance
- pool auctions?
- MS. MORRIS:
- It's salvage pools that hold
- auctions, yes. And under the definition of
- salvage pool, it allows an auction to be
- held by a salvage pool. It becomes a little
- bit more confusing because of the way our
- licenses are. We license them as auctions
- and motor vehicle dealers, is my
- understanding. The definition of a salvage

- 1 -- we define in the Statute 78198, there is
- ² a definition of salvage pool or salvage
- disposal sale and it means a scheduled sale
- at auction or by private bid of wrecked or
- 5 repairable motor vehicles by an insurance
- company or by a used motor vehicle dealer or
- ⁷ automotive dismantler and parts dismantlers
- licensed by the Commission. So they want to
- be -- the salvage pool insurance auto
- auctions is salvage pool and they want to be
- exempted from the new provisions. And one
- way to do that would be to define dealer
- ¹³ auctions.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Are insurance pool auctions
- the same auction?
- MS. MORRIS:
- The salvage pools like
- insurance auto auctions have an auction
- license and they have a motor vehicle
- dealer's license. On your application for
- an auction license, you are asked whether
- it's a dealer auction, a salvage action or
- open to the public action, I believe, and
- that's noted on the upper right-hand corner

- of the license, I understand. I haven't
- seen it. So they check off, but we don't
- have any separate -- I don't know where that
- came from, because we don't really have
- those separate categories in the law. Maybe
- 6 Mr. Hallack knows how the application was
- developed from experience.
- MR. PARNELL:
- Well, COPART and IAA are
- national chains that are salvage auctions,
- and so when they fill out their form, when
- they get their license from this Commission,
- I'm assuming that they are checking salvage
- only. If they're checking dealer auctions,
- then that should be included, because they
- are a dealer auction.
- MS. MORRIS:
- They sell -- they said that
- they sell to dealers and the public.
- MR. POTEET:
- Then, check all three. Do
- they check all three?
- MS. BARON:
- If it's the ones we looked at
- Friday, they didn't.

- 1 POTEET: MR. 2 Well, they are in violation 3 of their --MS. BARON: 5 They are regular salvage market 7 MS. MORRIS: 8 Well, we don't have any 9 statutes that really regulate that or define 10 what is a salvage auction, a public auction 11 or a dealer auction. 12 MR. DUPLESSIS: 13 I think that's necessary just 14 by what Director Parnell had to go through 15 with the trailers a couple of weeks ago. 16 You might want to explain that, and I think 17 the difference is if you take Manheim, they 18 will have a salvage day and they will run 19 on, say, Tuesday. General Motors and Ford 20 and Chrysler and Toyota may run on 21 Wednesday. Thursday may be the banks and
- The problem is, if you are
- selling to the public, then are you

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Friday may be the lower end wholesalers, but

they run a series of days different things.

- responsible for sales tax, license, title,
- that sort of thing. And that's the great
- art of having the dealer when he buys it.
- 4 He is responsible for the mechanical
- 5 condition, the re-conditioning, and the
- 6 licensing and title and proper handling of
- the paperwork to the consumer, but when you
- hold auctions and you let the consumer do
- it, then we are going to run into to same
- thing you ran into with the trailers and all
- of that. You might want to speak to that
- whole issue on the trailer side.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Well, let's stay with our
- bill here for right now.
- MR. POTEET:
- Well, I was going to say that
- this definition from Pennsylvania is a good
- 19 -- I mean, it's brief, but it's a good
- definition of a wholesale vehicle auction.
- I mean, I have no argument with the way it's
- worded, but I don't know how that -- you
- said the IAA is still not happy with this.
- MS. MORRIS:
- No, the IAA sent the

- Pennsylvania definition.
- MR. POTEET:
- Okay. They sent this.
- 4 MS. MORRIS:
- ⁵ They weren't happy with my
- 6 definition that I came up with, but -- so I
- asked them would they -- do they have
- ⁸ another definition that they prefer and they
- said the one -- they thought the State of
- Pennsylvania had a good definition. I asked
- them to send it to me and this is what they
- sent, which is similar to the definition I
- have. It's a little bit more specific.
- MR. DUPLESSIS:
- John, you're in this
- business. Would you be willing to adopt
- that definition? I think it's a fine
- definition.
- MR. POTEET:
- Yes. I think the definition
- is fine. I think the issues with the
- ²² COPARTs and IAAs of the world is something
- that's beyond the scope of this right now,
- but this definition, I would endorse this.
- This is good.

MS. MORRIS:

- Well, my proposal would be
- then to adopt this language in 781, because
- that's our definition section, and then
- 5 change 794 to say that wholesale vehicle
- ⁶ auctions shall not do this list of things.
- It doesn't regulate those other groups, but
- I don't know that that's something we can
- take on without some further study of the
- issue.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- I'm not in favor of taking
- that on, absolutely not, not at this time.
- MR. POTEET:
- No. I agree with that 100
- percent.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- And some of that goes back
- to, you know, what we said just 10 minutes
- ago. I mean, the Commission needs to get
- away from taking on major decisions without
- input from those that we represent, which
- many times in the past has happened way too
- often. So, no, I wouldn't be in favor of
- taking that on at this particular time.

- MS. MORRIS:
- Well, insurance auto
- auctions, I think it's okay if we adopt this
- definition and make the provision applicable
- to that. COPART, on the other hand, I'm not
- sure whether they will accept that or not.
- 7 Their preference was to wipe out 794.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- I don't understand the
- problem really whether it's what type of
- auction. If you are there buying and you
- don't have a UD license, it's a public
- option. If you are -- where is the
- confusion?
- MR. DUPLESSIS:
- Our law doesn't say that. We
- have no provision.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- It's inclusive. You can't go
- buy at an auction for dealers unless you
- have a UD license.
- MR. DUPLESSIS:
- I think COPART would take you
- to task on that one and they told us that.
- They flat told us that.

- MR. ROBINSON:
- Take you to task how? I
- mean, you are a licensed dealer or someone
- from the public. It is pretty cut and dry.
- ⁵ MS. MORRIS:
- Well, I quess our statute
- doesn't say that if you have an auction
- 8 license from the Commission that it can't be
- ⁹ open to the public.
- MR. HALLACK:
- No, we don't. There's
- nothing in our statutes right now that
- prohibit the public from being a used motor
- vehicle auction. That's just self-regulated
- by the auctions.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Well, that's different than
- how I've always heard in the past. In the
- past, we've always said that the public
- cannot be at those auctions, that they have
- to have a UD license or they have to be --
- you know, there's provisions where you can
- take a mechanic or, you know, things of that
- nature in the auction with you. So that's a
- whole different take on what we've already

- said in the past.
- MR. HALLACK:
- That's pretty much
- self-policed by the individual auctions.
- ⁵ You have some auctions that will do it and
- you have some that totally disregard it, and
- that's one of the important facets of this
- bill is only dealers now. And with salvage
- 9 pool, the statute specifically says that's
- open to the whole world. You do not have to
- be a licensed dealer to bid at salvage.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Right. That's because the
- law changed.
- MR. HALLACK:
- Right.
- MR. POTEET:
- We eliminated the bid card,
- 19 right?
- MR. HALLACK:
- That's correct. In 2007, we
- recognized that our statute says that for
- each capacity in which a dealer does
- business, he needs a license. So to
- determine which capacities those were, this

- was revenue generated. When we saw that and
- recognized that we could charge for a
- license fee for each capacity, we went and
- 1 looked to see what capacities there are and
- ⁵ 784 laid out what capacities there are. And
- ⁶ 784.4 says used motor vehicle auctions and
- salvage pools that deal in used motor
- vehicles, but that was considered to be one
- g capacity. It shouldn't have been that way.
- Auctions should have been separated from
- salvage pools, because they are so
- different, but we don't have a salvage pool
- license. Am I understanding correct?
- MS. BARON:
- We have an auction license
- and you can mark salvage on it and that
- would give you the right to have a salvage
- auction.
- MR. HALLACK:
- But it's not a different
- license than auction?
- MS. BARON:
- No. It's one license and
- under the business you are engaged in, it
- will say dealer, salvage or public,

- whichever you mark.
- MR. HALLACK:
- So in 2007 when we separated
- all of these capacities out, we gave them
- their own place within the statute. We
- didn't do that for auctions. I think
- auctions eventually should have their own
- 9 place in terms of what is required for an
- ⁹ auction license. Should he be held to the
- same requirements as a used motor vehicle
- dealer? And I think with the statute, we
- are actually giving auctions their own
- place, but we're not still -- we don't have
- any statutory requirement for what's
- required for an auction license as opposed
- to a salvage pool. Eventually, we need to
- head in that direction. I know right now is
- not the time.
- MS. MORRIS:
- I think, though, if we adopt
- this definition of wholesale auctions, then
- we possibly could issue a license to
- wholesale auctions and one to salvage pools.
- So if you have the salvage pool license, you
- would not be following the 794 if you have a

- wholesale dealers and that requires some
- changes that we didn't really anticipate or
- talk about, but helps create some operation,
- 4 but not totally.
- ⁵ MR. ROBINSON:
- So you need a vote of the
- 7 Commission to adopt this definition?
- MS. MORRIS:
- Yes. The Commission did
- approve the language of the bill that was
- submitted to the staff. Also, it might be
- necessary that we have some authority as
- opposed to the technical changes and that's
- why I brought it back and I knew you all
- were meeting and I had time. I don't know
- if throughout the session we will have that
- ability to adjust.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- What are you asking for
- there?
- MS. MORRIS:
- I'm asking that you give
- somebody authority, whether it's Derek,
- myself or Mr. Duplessis, you or whoever, to
- look at amendments as the bill goes through

- the process, because we might have a
- different concern when it gets to the Senate
- ³ floor.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- ⁵ All right. So what you are
- asking for is we adopt this definition and
- ⁷ also wanted to make --
- MS. MORRIS:
- Decisions.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- -- minor changes, are we
- talking about verbiage changes, you know?
- MS. MORRIS:
- I would think technical
- changes, we probably wouldn't have to come
- back for approval, but there might be some
- other substantive changes that somebody
- comes up with. When this piece of
- legislation was discussed, we didn't really
- specifically discuss salvage pool, and so I
- don't know if there might be another issue
- that comes up as we go through the process,
- and then your next meeting wouldn't be for
- ²⁴ another month.
- MR. ROBINSON:

1 What is the Commissioners' 2 take on that, do you want to allow somebody 3 to make changes without it coming to the Commission or does anyone have anything to offer? 6 HALLACK: MR 7 Historically, it was left up 8 to the Executive Director alone. 9 MR. DUPLESSIS: 10 Your legislative team --11 MR. ROBINSON: 12 I don't have a problem with 13 I mean, we only meet once a month. 14 That's what the Executive Director is here 15 for. So if no one else wants to offer it, 16 I'll offer it. I mean, that's why we employ 17 him is to make daily decisions for the Commission. So I don't have a problem with 18 19 allowing the Director to make, you know, 20 routine and minor changes to what it is that 21 we are trying to accomplish. That's why 22 he's here. 23 MR. POTEET: 24 I agree with that, and in the 25 past we have always had pretty good

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communication with e-mails as to when things
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     were going to get changed and what does
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     somebody think about it. So I don't see any
     problem with that.
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                MR. ROBINSON:
                     So does someone want to make
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     a motion to adopt this definition and allow
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     the Executive Director to handle the nuances
     of the ongoing legislative process?
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                MR. ROY:
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                    I will move on that.
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                MR. BREWER:
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                    I'll second it.
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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                    First and second.
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                    Any other discussion?
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                     (No response.)
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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                    All in favor?
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                     (All "Aye" responses.)
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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                    Anyone opposed?
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                    (No response.)
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                MR. ROBINSON:
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                    The motion passes.
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- takes care of that.
- ² Anything else?
- MS. MORRIS:
- I just wanted to make you
- aware of another bill that's out there that
- would affect the Commission. It's not
- scheduled for hearing, but there is a bill
- that would -- that says -- and I made Derek
- 9 aware of it, but if you have a fund balance
- in September, that you would have to lower
- your licensing fees by rule. And I'm not
- sure what the status of it is, but it would
- affect this Commission, because you do have
- ¹⁴ a fund balance.
- MR. PARNELL:
- 1227 is a house bill.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- We are aware of it.
- The next item on the agenda,
- hearings. We have no hearings today.
- Any items for the next agenda
- any Commissioners would like to see us take
- up or address? You know, as always, just
- contact me and we will get it on the agenda.
- We just need to know like that Thursday

- prior to the Monday meeting.
- MR. ROY:
- Glen, are you still sending
- out e-mails?
- 5 MR. ROBINSON:
- I have been letting the
- Director do it. He and I communicate. It's
- ⁸ a lot easier. Either he has more expertise
- in that, but I have -- we are discussing and
- he is sending it out. So many of you have
- said you weren't getting them and maybe I'm
- not the world's greatest with this little
- Blackberry, but, yes, most of I think what
- you get from the Director is things that he
- and I discussed or, you know, I've used --
- we've gone through him to get disseminated
- to the Commission.
- We do have and we are asking
- for the Commissioners to take a little time
- and go down to the capital. We have some
- handouts for you. We have been asked to put
- together some bullet points, very -- kind of
- short and concise as to what it is and the
- reasoning behind our fee. Our fee bill is
- going be heard Wednesday. The more personal

- contact we can make with the representatives
- and explain our position, the better off we
- are, and that's -- so that's what the
- 4 handout is. It's the bullet points, the
- talking points, if you would.
- MR. PARNELL:
- 7 The second handout is
- 8 actually also a lot of the representatives
- that are near your perspective areas.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- Well, as far as the
- 12 Commission meeting, if somebody wants to
- make a motion, we are done.
- MR. POTEET:
- I make a motion that we
- adjourn.
- MR. CORMIER:
- Second.
- MR. ROBINSON:
- All in favor?
- (All "Aye" responses.)
- MR. ROBINSON:
- 23 Any opposed?
- (No response.)
- MR. ROBINSON:

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