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LB 661

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: I was interested in those. I'm sorry, Mr. President. Did you say time?

SENATOR CUDABACK: I said time, yes. Thank you, Senator Beutler and Senator Kristensen. Senator Chambers, on the committee amendments to LB 661.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I don't intend to speak much on this, on the committee amendments or on the bill at this point. But if those who have an interest in having this bill pass deal with me in a way that I feel does not show good faith, then they can consider themselves to be responsible for whatever happens to LB 661. As it stands right now, I don't have a great amount of opposition to it in the sense of my doing all I can to stop it. I'm going to vote against it. I was opposed to anything being done during the committee considerations of the bill. I had fun grilling those big shots and those geniuses who came before the committee and they couldn't persuade me probably because they were so much more intelligent than I that I couldn't understand the rationale they were giving for what it was they wanted. And another thing, all I know about computers is how to turn them off and on if somebody shows me the little rocker button that you use, little rocker switch. But I don't know at what point you should turn it off without doing whatever damage might be done to whatever can be damaged by turning it off at the wrong time. So, you see, I know nothing about it. But from everything I've read, I wonder why these computer geniuses couldn't put these computers to work to solve the problem that Y2K, as it's called, will produce. If the human beings cannot figure it out, let the computers do it. What is so wonderful about the computer world is that they can create obsolescence in all of their computers if they choose to do so and have that obsolescence take place at a precise instant in time. Auto manufacturers, as I've pointed out, cannot do that. Refrigerator manufacturers cannot. They can produce another product that might be more excellent than the one that it will replace. They might build one that will last for only a certain amount of time, but not every one of those products in that line is going to fall apart at the same instant. But with the computers, these guys can sit around and say, well, when New Year of 2000 comes, bam, it's over. I have