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to correct the Speaker. He...I'm a little sensitive when people call things an act of God. I don't like to be blamed for some things which really are not my fault. But there's a distinction between God and Gates. This might be an act of Gates, but not an act of God. Gates is a guy who is in all this activity surrounding computers. I'm listening to the discussion and I'm not persuaded that this bill is any more meritorious than it was when it was before the committee. But it's not the kind of bill that I'm just going to dig my heels in and say at all costs it has to stop. There's a relatively small window which is being left open for these slick, slippery, wily bankers to slither, slide, and slink through. But it's not going to be open forever and we may not have to deal with them again until the year 3000 in which case I'm the only one who will have to continue dealing with them, but I'll have that institutional memory; and I'll know what they did a thousand years prior. That's all that I'm going to say, but there are people in the lobby who have gotten the message I think that I've delivered because it relates to something associated with what we're talking about, but not directly to this bill.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Beutler, on the committee amendments to LB 661.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Just a couple more questions, Senator Kristensen, if I could.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Kristensen, would you yield?

SENATOR BEUTLER: The dates that are in the committee amendment, it indicates computer date failure, it talks about from, into and between the years 1999 and 2000 and then it says and beyond, including leap year calculations. Is that solely and exclusively dealing with the time period of the switch from 1999 to 2000? And I've kind of lost track of the leap years.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Right.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Is 2000 a leap year or...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: There's a reason for that and I've got my light on if we run out of time. There are several dates that