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and which I would...I would entertain that, or he's going to do exactly what he's publicly said. Which of those two things do you think is going to be more true? I'll tell you what history tells me and that is Ernie does exactly what he says he's going to do, which is he's going to fight this to the end and I'm going to need 33 votes. Accepting an amendment that was antithetical to my bill so that he'd still take me to 33 votes would have been the stupidest thing to do. I may be naive and on occasion misled, but I'm not that stupid. If Senator Chambers is going to take us to 33 votes and that moment, he's going to do it. I'm going to live with that fact one way or the other. I'm not going to fight this thing tooth and nail. I'm not going to engender the kinds of personal attacks or pick a whipping boy here. I'm going to listen to Senator Chambers' rhetoric. He's going to take us to that moment and I don't think there's anything I can do about it and he hasn't offered any other way out of that. So I'm going to live with what the street tells me and the street tells me we're going to go through these amendment one by one. In another context, that might have been something that would be livable, but it certainly wasn't. Let's see, you get less of what you want, less of what you believe in, and you still have the pain of getting 33 votes in 8 hours of debate. Sorry, the answer is no, and criticizing me for saying no doesn't hurt my feelings because it's not very believable, not very persuasive. Try again.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Landis. Mr. Clerk, got items for the record?

CLERK: I do, Mr. President. A new A bill, LB 24A, by Senator Suttle. (Read by title for the first time.) Hearing notices from the Judiciary Committee, signed by Senator Brashear, as its Chair. An appointment letter...withdrawal of an appointment from the Governor. Senator Robak has an amendment to LB 225 to be printed. And, Mr. President, an announcement that the Revenue Committee will meet in Executive Session today at one o'clock; Revenue Committee in Executive Session today at one o'clock. I do have a series of adds. Senator Dwite Pedersen would like to add his name to LB 306; Senator Pedersen, LB 842 and LB 827. (Legislative Journal pages 474-476.)