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SENATOR CUDABACK: You are recognized.

SENATOR BRUNING: I want to lay...I want to lay out to the body what exactly happened...

SENATOR CUDABACK: State your point, please.

SENATOR BRUNING: ...on Friday, for those of you who might have missed it. I have good friends out in North Platte. They invited me to come out and jump in the river, which I did, and I survived, but it was mighty cold. The purpose of this is not just for fun. We're raising money for the Lincoln Connection, a homeless shelter out there, and we raised \$17,000 for the homeless shelter in North Platte. Now that, of course, is...is a good thing, but the reason I bring it to the body's attention is you may have noticed that when I got in my car about 10:30, and I left here about 10:30, the wily senior member noticed that I had left, and you may have noticed there was a number of record votes that were kind of odd for the way the Legislature typically does business, nine of them to be exact, votes that would typically not be record votes. And just typical motions from Select File, like the two we just had that are voice votes, senior member asked for them to be record votes. I went down and asked him this morning, because he had warned me earlier, and, sure enough, he said, Jon, they're for you, they're for you. So let me give you a little history. Last year, Senator Shelley Kiel, State Senator Shelley Kiel, decided to run for Congress. She ran and lost and one of the issues was her voting record and how many votes she had missed. Now, for some reason, I am being blamed for calculating the number of votes that Shelley Kiel missed. How the number of votes she missed has any relation to me, I have no idea. Well, you'll have to ask the senior member. I have no idea. But he's decided that these votes are my fault, so each time I leave the room to go to the bathroom...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: (Microphone malfunction) Point of order.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Chambers, a point of order.