SENATOR SCHIMEK: There is not a motion to kill?

CLERK: Not at this time.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Okay.

CLERK: Senator Bruning is excused and doesn't want to take it up until he returns to the Chamber.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Okay. Is it permissible for me to not take it up at this time and to re...

CLERK: I'll...we'll...we'll simply withdraw it and you indicate to me when you want to reoffer it.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: I will do that.

CLERK: Okay.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you.

CLERK: Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Schimek, on the motion to advance.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Mr. President and members. LR 6CA embraces the concept of sovereignty and self-determination. Native American tribes have, through treaties, compacts and agreements, retained their sovereign status. Over a hundred years of case law and federal legislation have attempted to define the sovereignty issue. I mentioned the Cherokee Nation v. Georgia and the acknowledgement that the Cherokee Nation was a distinct political society separate from the others. Chief Justice Marshall further stated they may more correctly perhaps be denominated domestic dependent nations. Even after this court case, over a hundred years would pass with the determination of the sovereignty issue remaining somewhat illusive. Eventually, as I mentioned, the 1987 case in California had an impact on IGRA and made it clear that it is not up to the states to decide whether or not a tribe is a