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time I guess I'd like to just make it clear that it's not that I have any strenuous objection to this particular amendment, it's just that I haven't had a chance to discuss this with the Department of Insurance as to the import, as to actually how that would impact how they're doing business over there right now. And so that's why I just wanted to make it clear is that it's not that there is any big problem with this particular amendment or any strenuous objection to it. It's just that we haven't had a chance to sit down with the Department of Insurance to see how this particular amendment would impact the bill, LB 216. So I can't support it at this time, but I think this would indicate that I'm certainly willing to continue the conversation beyond today to address some of, if not all of, Senator Beutler's concerns with these particular provisions of the bill, and would like to open up the dialogue to that time. But the bottom line is I can't support the amendment at this time.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Quandahl. Open for discussion on the Beutler amendment, anybody wishing to speak? Senator Beutler, there are no lights on. Do you wish to close on your amendment?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature, these aren't complicated amendments. I hope you were listening. I think they are good on their face. Senator Quandahl, I would make this representation to you. I am absolutely confident that these are competent amendments. If at...if subsequent to this debate you or the Department of Insurance doesn't like any of them, we will remove them without further discussion and without opposition. But it seems to me on Select File, it's the appropriate time to be dealing with suggestions that alter bills. And so I want to do so. I want to put before you things that I think improve the bill. So I hope you understand the amendments. They are intended to be helpful to all parties. And as I indicated, if Senator Quandahl or the department are not happy with the amendments, we can take them off later. It's early in the session. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. You've heard the closing on FA1159 offered by Senator Beutler to LB 216. The