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it streamlines the process. It coincides with the lease that the Corrections has with the vendor on the equipment, and it simply...it is going to save some money. You'll notice in the fiscal note they're saying, oh, well, we're going to lose \$1 million of revenue because we aren't making plates every three years. Well, that's passed on to the citizens. It's not going to cost as much to issue these plates every six years it does each three years. So with that, I ask again for your support of the committee amendments. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Baker. Senator Chambers, on the committee amendments to LB 279.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, Senator Baker is correct on LB 452, which was Senator Smith's bill. That bad amendment did not come out of his committee, so he gets a correction from me on LB 452. And, Senator Baker, if I did hurt your feelings on that one, I apologize. But on the others that have come out of your committee, I do not apologize. And I will get a list of them, if you want me to. Other senators are looking at some of the bills that are coming out of committees, and from now on, when a committee bill comes out here or a bill comes out of a committee and they have a botched-up amendment, I'm going to call attention to it so Senator Baker won't think I'm singling him out. Why do we have committees? So that some people can have a position of leadership and put it on a resume. That's the only thing I can really see. You look at some of these bills and you wonder what the people on the committee were thinking when they voted it out here. Senator Aguilar brings some of the most atrocious bills and he is an expert in saying, move it over to Select and we will work on it there. And you know why I pay attention? Because I look at a lot of those bills and I hear that request made, and yesterday I went along with it, and in the past, on occasion, I have. So I have concrete examples. What is the purpose of General File? That is where we have our first contact of any substance with a bill, as a Legislature. If there are no committee amendments, the introducer should be able to explain the bill and answer any questions associated with that bill. If there are committee amendments, the Chairperson should be able to explain everything about the committee