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SENATOR SCHIMEK: ...my priority was filed first, so we decided to use this, and it isn't exactly the same as Senator Janssen's bill. I mean it does leave out any mention of the tribes, et cetera.

SENATOR ERDMAN: And I've admitted that. My point was if you offered AM2401, it would essentially make it the same idea.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Well, it's essentially the same idea, that's right.

SENATOR ERDMAN: Okay. I was just seeking to understand and actually, you know, attempting to help you in your effort to delay the process in order to get the votes that you think are necessary.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: I really do appreciate that, Senator Erdman. (Laugh)

SENATOR ERDMAN: I've been in this body for three years and I've been extremely up-front and honest with you and others about my feelings on this, but...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Well,...

SENATOR ERDMAN: ...the last thing I want to be seen as, Senator Schimek, is a thorn in your side. But I think what you're doing is wrong, but you know that and so does the rest of the body, and I've been extremely up-front and honest, but I want to help you, whatever I can do, so that you can do this to the citizens of the state of Nebraska. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Your help is gratefully appreciated.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Erdman. Senator Beutler. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature, I needn't repeat the fact that the existence of initiatives and the existence of money to promote initiatives is one of the reasons that most of us are considering this proposition. As