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of power.

PRESIDENT: Senator Chambers, would you like to close? Would you like to pout to a close?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I will be very brief because the Speaker does want us to kind of draw this to a conclusion so that the Clerk can read some things into the record, then people can seek their respective troughs or watering holes. He didn't use that terminology. That's why he is Speaker and I will never be. You must be diplomatic. There's a different way to say that. See, I might see somebody do something and I will say, that person passed the buck. But you know what a diplomat would say? That person delegated authority. So it's the same thing but it's the way you say it and you let people live. On this particular proposition, I am going to start again by saying, personally, I don't care how you vote on any of these. Doesn't make any difference to me. Makes me no difference at all. You can write any rule in this book you want to. I will even help you write some rules and you still couldn't stop me. Rules are inherent...they have inherent flaws in them. You cannot control everything that's going to happen with a rule. That's why the Internal Revenue Code is so thick. Every time they build the rule, they make a rule a little higher, then somebody like me jumps over it. They make it higher, I will pole vault over it. They make it still higher, I go around it. They make it wide, I go under it. Doesn't make any difference. Then they've got this thick code that nobody understands except the one that they tried to stop because I have watched every move they made. Then they wonder how in the world I'm familiar with the rules. I can read and I can understand what I read and I know other people don't read. I know other people don't pay attention. These rules are not that hard to understand, but I learn them by reading them, paying attention to them, and an advantage that I have is that I know people tend to be intellectually lazy. I know that and my stating it is not going to cause anybody who is intellectually lazy to cease being intellectually lazy. They will just say, well, he found me out, they will yawn, rear back in their chair and continue in that comfortable, lazy mode. So reject what I'm offering. Make the cloture motion a priority motion, then let the day come when you've got something you want to get up there and you know what will happen? Like some did on 775, Ernie, can you find...help me find a way to get this motion...to get this amendment considered? And on 775 I was the broker. And if I hadn't handled it in the way that I did, none