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have sugar, dry beans to give everyone a little sample of your district. And then he looked at me and he said, well, your birthday's, in fact, the very first day you serve, and, you know, we kind of laughed about that. And this morning, as I was walking to work, and it's real cold, I'm almost run over by this guy who is late for work, and it happens to be our Speaker. And I thought he was probably hurrying to get cake for us because maybe he'd forgotten, or he was late for getting that. So I forgave him and I get here this morning and I don't go to breakfast, really anticipating some cake or anything. (Laughter.) I've been sadly disappointed, but happy birthday, and we'll wait until next January 4th and see...well, what my birthday might bring. (Laughter.)

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Lamb, please.

SENATOR LAMB: Is it true that it's the big six-oh? (Laughter.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Hefner, please.

SENATOR BARRETT: Let me respond to that one, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: No, you don't get to. (Laughter.) We'll let you close later. Senator Hefner, then Senator Lynch.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, this month is February. If I remember correctly, there were several great statesmen born during this month. We had President Washington, Lincoln, and Speaker Barrett. Happy birthday, Speaker Barrett.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Lynch, then Senator Dierks.

SENATOR LYNCH: Yes, Mr. Speaker and others, I just want to tell Senator Kristensen that he is new here, but some of us have been around here long enough, so this morning, on the way to work, I stopped and had 48 doughnuts and two cups of coffee, and I told them (laughter)...I told them to send the bill to...told them to send the bill to Room 2101, State Capitol Building. So, happy birthday. All of you enjoyed it, I hope. I did.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Dierks, please.

SENATOR DIERKS: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I think what the Speaker is trying to tell us is that you can't