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SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...along the system of interstates.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So, there will be an argument and rationale given to justify something, but the rationale has nothing to do with the reality. With all of the supposed safeguards and opportunities for representation that are supposed to be in 761, the reality is that what is offered is far removed from what is being promised. I think Senator Dierks' amendment is very reasonable, it will not hurt anybody, and US Ecology will not be put at a greater disadvantage than they are now. Actually, they're at no disadvantage. But all we will do is take this tiny, little crumb and split it up between two hungry people instead of allowing one to have the whole crumb. So I'm going to support Senator Dierks' amendment.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Haberman, please.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the body, I have not addressed this issue after all these days. However, when Senator Dierks read the amendment he caught my attention, and I feel that I have to address his amendment. I'm familiar with city councils. I'm familiar with town boards. I'm familiar with county boards and the Legislature, and I do not know of any entity such as that that has a chief executive officer. So, Senator Dierks, I say to you I know your intent, but chief executive officer I do not believe exists in the statutes of any of those entities, even townships. Chief executive officers exist in corporations and et cetera. I do not know of any, so I'll let you have the rest of my time, if you would like to answer my question.

PRESIDENT: Senator Dierks, do you wish to respond, please.

SENATOR DIERKS: Yes, thank you. I think that that language becomes moot if the amendment is adopted, but it also refers to mayors or whoever in those cities, senator.

SENATOR HABERMAN: (Mike not activated immediately.) ...amendment. Senator Dierks, the amendment says "Two members selected by the township board in which the proposed site is located. If no township board exists, one appointment shall be made by the chief executive officer of each of the two