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SENATOR GOODRICH: I don't know what you said then.

SENATOR SMITH: ...I said that this is the bill. I have the amendment contained, wherever you see new language that is the amendment. So this is the bill now. What I have...what you have there is the bill. If you accept my amendment it's a part of that bill. I could have given you a sheet of paper that says on page such and such insert these words. The words you see are, if you look through the whole bill, you've got it in the bill without having to have a separate thing to look at the bill with and compare.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Reading the first two pages it says, strike the original sections and insert the following new sections. Section 1, go right on through 55 pages of it. My thought being though is this, it's my understanding that the people that are going to be mostly affected by this have never had a chance to have any input in the drafting of it.

SENATOR SMITH: Oh, yeah, they did. They had the...they had the opportunity...

SENATOR GOODRICH: Oh, no, they didn't.

SENATOR SMITH: They had the opportunity to input...

SENATOR GOODRICH: No, this was drafted...

SENATOR SMITH: Well, you go ahead and talk, and I'll have my time.

SENATOR GOODRICH: This was drafted in such a...without their even being around, and then you're handing it to us to adopt. And, quite frankly, they're saying they have real problems with it. And the problems may be resolved in this amendment to your satisfaction, but it is not resolved to their satisfaction. So, consequently, I'm wondering if maybe it wouldn't be the best idea if we'd hold this bill and have a public hearing on this in January, and start from scratch.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Lynch, please, followed by Senator Crosby.

SENATOR LYNCH: Mr. President, members, Senator Smith, could I