

Natural Resources Committee or bills addressing these issues are dying a slow lingering death without benefit of discussion of any sort, other than one of seven bills heard one day in a committee hearing. The subject of community accord is very vital. We see now that violence has started to take place. I offered to you folks a couple of weeks ago a Canadian study that showed how they sited controversial or attempted to site controversial facilities by simply going out and touting the benefits of the facility and the technical aspects of the facility, and how they failed miserably and how they ended up with violent situations in those communities. They started over, folks. They started over with community involvement, increased community involvement. They didn't throw the process out the door as some attempts will possibly be made in this state to limit community input, but they started over increasing input, and increasing community involvement, and making these people feel much more secure with the process, and now they are having a successful siting effort going on in Canada, much more successful, much less tension, fear in the communities involved. The communities have almost...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: ...complete control and can get out of the process at any time they feel that they have been shortchanged or losing control of the facility. I think LB 1151 is something that can be used to address that, looking beyond the initial reasons for LB 1151 and to the amendments that will be offered that we'll hopefully increase local control and help that process and, thus, I will now have to oppose Senator Chambers motion.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Chambers, there are not other lights on. Would you like to close on your motion?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I don't want this to be the close unless I run out, because if I run out of time, then I would want to be able to go on.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Proceed with your regular five minutes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Thank you. Mr. Chairman, I would like to ask Senator Morrissey a question, if I may.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Morrissey, would you please respond?