

convention, but what some of this other material is that the Governor sent around is a reason why we ought not adopt this resolution. On the first page that I shared with you is this language, and I marked it in one of the paragraphs in a bracket to the left. Conference of the States would be held. Delegations would consider, refine and vote on ways of correcting the domination of the federal government within the intergovernmental structure. Any item receiving the support of the state delegations would become part of a new instrument of American democracy called the States' Petition. The States' Petition will be the action plan of The Conference of the States. I want to ask Senator Kristensen, did he hear what I said? Oh, he is gone. This States' Petition is to be the action plan of The Conference of the States. It will constitute the highest form of formal communication between the states and the Congress. Even though the States' Petition has no force of law or binding authority, it will gain its authority from the sheer power of the process the states followed to initiate it.

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: The underlying theme and agenda is to get these legislatures to agree to this resolution or not agree to it, but to get a conference of the states together in a formal structure. And as I said to my colleagues, if they were smart, they would deliberately have somebody as dull, as the Governor of Nebraska, and equally drab, the Governor of Utah, wherever he came from. Each one of them has a thousand suits in all colors, dull. So by having them carry the ball, everybody goes to sleep. And as always using the Nebraska football imagery, while the defenses that play Nebraska are watching the fast running back, they just hand the ball to the fullback and he is in the end zone and the other team doesn't even know how he got there.

SENATOR CROSBY: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: In fact, they think there were twelve men on the field. So the decoys are Leavitt and the fellow who sits as the Governor of Nebraska.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Witek.

SENATOR WITEK: Senator Chambers, gee, thanks for the compliment, I think. An unlikely Sir Galahad, and I know you can't step into that role as easily as some could. I really...I