

SENATOR CUDABACK: Yes.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...the effort I'm making so you...I'm letting you rest so at your older age you'll be able to survive the last late hours of the session. Senator Cudaback, on the original bill, did you not simply...in fact, it was on page 4, said that only political subdivisions that have populations of 5,000 or less that this would apply to?

SENATOR CUDABACK: That's what was in the original bill, yes.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Right, and that's what you...that's what you proposed, correct? All right, and you did not want it to be all political subdivisions at the time you wrote the bill, did you?

SENATOR CUDABACK: It wasn't a matter of want. I wanted to do what the body wanted to do, the majority. I guess we go by majority vote. Majority wants it, hey,...

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Senator Cudaback, when you write a bill and it's on the floor, do you write the bill then the way you think it is or do you just write a shell bill and just wait for the amendments to come and then that's what you support? Do you...did you not support the way you wrote the bill as it came out on General File?

SENATOR CUDABACK: We are structured in this body for amendments. We all...

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: I understand that, but...

SENATOR CUDABACK: ...we all amend.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...but the question is, did you support the way the bill was on General File? Not...not...I'm not asking whether you supported other amendments because you didn't...whatever the will of the body was I understand that. Did you support the bill as it was? Even though you voted to change it, I understand that. Did you support the bill and would you have supported the bill if we would have not done the Schimek amendment and just kept it to 5,000 or less?