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these kinds of locations, we need to change the way we do business and we should use this as a glaring example of what not to do. The time is right to undo this procedure and accept LB 530 and move it to Select File. Thank you.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Senator Kristensen, followed by Senators Cudaback, Bromm, Beutler, Tyson, and Wehrbein.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President. This is the last time I plan to speak on it. There's just a few other things I want to put in for us to consider. One is to make sure that we understand a process and I think it's correct. Senator Landis points out a good point. What we are doing with this, is we are giving notice of our intent to withdraw and we have to give five years notice. So, at the end of the five years is when we withdraw. The other issues are if we are suspended or revoked as a member of the compact, that does trigger liabilities and we could be suspended or revoked because of our activities in the siting process, but more likely for our activities in the licensing process for licensing the facilities that has been denied. And so I would hope that those of you who have been cautious to date saying, look, I support public power in this state, I want the nuclear generators to continue to provide good public power, you still can do that. That still is going to happen with this issue. Again, I want to caution you that we're still going to have to answer the questions, what do we do with their low-level nuclear waste, and we're going to have to answer issues if they're ever decommissioned what are we going to do with the high-level waste. Those are not part of the discussions today. Those are going to be things that are going to have to occur anyway, regardless of whether we do this. The issue here is what do we do with our other four members of the compact? I think we tell them, look, we have...we have bore this burden since, well, really the...the early 1980s, if I remember correctly. I think it was 1980 when the Federal Low-Level Waste Policy Act was passed, and so now, some 20 years later, we're getting to the position of saying we have put...we have spent our time, we've paid a price, it's been a very high price, I would hope that you would advance this bill. And when somebody asks you, aren't we going to get sued, we may well. We may well. I think we're on firm ground to defend what we've done. There are specific terms of the contract that allows us