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SENATOR CHAMBERS: So what we have with the amendment that was adopted is that they are not going to make any reports to the state prior to February the 3rd.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: February the 15th, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: February the 15th, I'm sorry. I stand corrected. Is that correct?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: That is correct, sir.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, maybe some of us had thought that there were going to be reports made to the state, but there would be no release of any of this information until the February 15th date had passed. But maybe closer attention should have been paid. Can you tell me, as one working with these packers, what would be so much onerous, much more onerous under LB 835, if they had to give information to the state? In other words, what would the state get which is different from what they'd be giving to the federal government?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Senator Chambers, I don't mean to quibble, but I'm not working with the packers. I have not had any conversation about it, I'm simply relying upon information I have with regard to what is now reported to the federal government, what the system envisioned by LB 835 would require, and the concern of a lot of people that we were going to have a dual system.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Were the packers some of those concerned? Because they're the only ones who I can see who are involved.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Certainly, certainly they were some of those concerned.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. If you have not talked to the packers about this, is there anybody on the floor that you know of with whom you worked who had talked to them, who can answer my questions, because I don't know who you talked to?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: I...I would...I would only be making a guess.