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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President. What I had attempted to do with this amendment was to strike all of Section 2. I don't believe there is any interest in educational progress. That was thrown in there as a sop to the public. Somehow this is supposed to be an educational facility, and it has nothing to do with that whatsoever. You might be able to get an education group to have a conference there. That doesn't justify putting that this thing is essential to the educational progress of the people of this state. The progress, in an educational sense, is not going to be impeded by there not being this thing nor advanced by having it. They say in line 12 of page 1, "The Legislature finds that the convention and meeting center facilities can generate..." They ought to say "may generate". "...new economic activity which will, in turn, generate additional state and local tax collections..." They should say "which may" but they're not careful of the language. They don't have to be careful. They can be sloppy, they can be slipshod, they can be ungrammatical because all they want is to get something with the Legislature's imprimatur to make sure that they're allowed to issue those general obligation bonds and get this fiasco on the road. I'm opposed to it and I will continue to oppose it.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. The question is the adoption of Floor Amendment 136 to the committee amendments of LB 382. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: (Record vote taken. See page 1761 of the Legislative Journal.) 0 ayes, 18 nays, Mr. President, on the amendment.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The amendment is not agreed to.

CLERK: Senator Chambers...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: I'm sorry, Mr. President. Senator Chambers would move to reconsider the vote just taken.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Chambers, you're recognized to open on your motion to reconsider Floor Amendment 136.