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you this morning is true. I don't think where...I don't think where I'm on different sides with Senator Brashear and Senator Chambers. There is an ongoing litigation that we've got a pretty steep hill to climb. Now whether we win that, I don't think we're going to win that at the federal district court level. The only way we're ever going to win those legally is somewhere up the line, if we do, but my issue is that has already occurred. They're...the allegations of tinkering have already occurred. The issue is, do I get out of the compact before I'm expelled. And if you're expelled, you do have liabilities. Senator Chambers, I want to talk about liabilities a little bit this morning because I don't...I think people mis...misunderstood what potential liabilities are here. I hear the sum of \$90 million bantered around. Let me tell you, I think that's minimal because we've got a compact that's 20 years of waste storage to five states. What's that worth? What is 20...20 years of waste storage for five states? Think how much money we've spent just in a year to fund K-12 schools. We fund \$600 million a year, and that's just a portion of it. This could be a big deal; \$5 million for litigation, that...that figure is just so...that's the lowest rate base figure you can get. The cost of this litigation is going to be 3 to 5 times that, and it's not going to be easy. And so Senator Brashear talks about a settlement. Well, this has been a political issue. It's been a political issue from day one, and the reason that it's not handled in the same nature that private lawsuits are handled in is that you have elected officials involved in this.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Now is that right or wrong? Well, who cares if it's right or wrong. That's the reality of this thing, and that's the reason,...and I don't do this, and I'm not...I'm obviously opposed to the bracket motion and I want to vote for Senator Dierks's bill, and I do it because I've switched positions over the last 10 years. I think it's better to walk away from those folks. If they get us and they hammer us for bad faith, they are going to do it whether I've withdrawn from the compact or not. And I just...I don't want to stay in the compact and negotiate another site and build a site in this state. I don't want to do that, and I don't think anybody else