

TRANSCRIPT PREPARED BY THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE  
Transcriber's Office

May 4, 1999

LB 770

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Byars. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I really am appreciative of Senator Redfield breaking this down into terms that everybody can understand, everybody who has had to work very hard for small amounts of money, everybody who has a very small amount of money which may have been accumulated over a period of time for the purpose of trying to assist those who will be left who are also struggling. I know it is difficult for those in the stratosphere to understand the rest of us whose feet are down here on the ground. The thing that troubles me about an amendment such as that of Senator Hartnett, is that it will give time to those who don't want to see anything done, the time to undo what we're attempting here. If we pass a bill, none of whose parts take effect until the year 2001, I am not confident that such a bill will ever be allowed to take effect. I would like to ask Senator Hartnett another question.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute. Senator Hartnett, would you yield?

SENATOR HARTNETT: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Hartnett, you said some studying of some kind is to take place between now and the year 2001, and that's why you want to put the date off, is that correct?

SENATOR HARTNETT: That's correct, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And it will take that much time to do this studying?

SENATOR HARTNETT: I think it will take next session, Senator Chambers. You need some time...if we...if we would pass the bill in the next session, what I'd like to do is advance it from General File to Select File for next year, have the study this summer, and then come back with legislation.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: You mean...you mean don't even pass the bill this session?

SENATOR HARTNETT: That's correct.