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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...five years notice. I don't think that's what this does. Maybe everybody else thinks it's that way. But let us say Nebraska was the state not interested in getting out of the compact, because Louisiana is the one stuck with it, and the Governor of Nebraska got a letter from the Governor of Louisiana saying, the withdrawal of Louisiana from the compact is effective. The Governor would laugh at it, and say, in addition to not wanting to assume its responsibilities, the people in Nebr...in Louisiana cannot even read.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Further discussion on the motion to return, Senator Dierks, followed by Senator Beutler and Senator Kristensen.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. Many times I'm thankful that my degree was in veterinary medicine and not in law, and this is one of them. I think that there are 13 or 14 attorneys on the floor, and I imagine, if we asked them what they thought, that they would come up with a different...each one with a different sort of interpretation. And I wouldn't even attempt to do that. My personal opinion is that this does effect the beginning of the draw out, withdrawal from the compact. And the reason is compact law tells us that this is what we have to do. I think we've done exactly what compact law has told us, and compact law then that we've signed will effectuate the actual withdrawal from the compact. I would turn the rest of my time over to Senator Kristensen or Senator Beutler, whoever. Maybe Senator Beutler would like to comment on this.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Beutler, four minutes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Dierks, thank you for the time. In my opinion, there is absolutely nothing wrong with the language. Let me read to you the section from the compact that tells how you withdraw from the compact. "Any party state may withdraw from this compact by enacting a statute repealing the same", which we've done. "Unless permitted earlier by unanimous consent of the commission", that's the Low-Level Compact Commission, "such withdrawal shall take effect five years after