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were tall, some were medium-sized, some were very short, some had a flame that burned brightly, some had a flame that sputtered, others the flame had gone out and there was just smoke coming from the wick. So she explained to Bartek that these candles represent people. Each candle is a soul, and you should be able to figure from the condition of the candle the condition of the person. When a candle has gone out, it's time for me to go to that person. Your mother's candle had gone out a long time ago. Now I want to show you your candle, and she took him to one and the fire had gone out. There was a thin wisp of smoke. She said, you promised to give me your next patient, that is you. You saved your mother's life, now I have to take yours. And Bartek fatalistically said, my mother lived for me, so I can die for her. He was the next patient. He gave his life for hers. How does that tie into this bill? I got snookered on a bill yesterday, LB 652. Yes, I was snookered, I was out-manuevered, I was tricked, I was duped, I was suckered, I was had. And I made up my mind that that one was gone, I'll get another shot at it, like death always get another shot. But I made up in my mind that the very next proposition that came before the Legislature, no matter what it was, since I got snookered on one that I really did not like, I would give the next one a free pass.

SENATOR COORDSEN: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: It happens that the committee amendment on LB 922 gets a free pass, LB 922 gets a free pass, as far as I'm concerned, at least at this stage. But there may be a cave farther down the line into which I will invite Senator Cudaback and Senator Suttle, and we'll look at the condition of the candles and make a final determination at that point.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Brashear, to speak to the committee amendment. Senator Beutler, to speak to the committee amendment.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Coordsen, members of the Legislature, I just wanted to speak briefly in favor of the committee amendment and in favor of the bill. Some of you who have been here for a long time know that I've taken an interest in this matter for some time, certainly Senator Wickersham is aware of