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policy decision. And that's all that I will have to say on this matter. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Discussion on the motion? Senator Bruning.

SENATOR BRUNING: Just the opportunity to point out that this is a record for my short legislative career. This is the fourth time, and I even missed one round of voting, the fourth time I've had the opportunity to vote against this concept. But I think it's important to point out that for most of us the reason we're voting against the concept and voting against the reconsideration motion is because we don't believe that the Attorney General should be nonpartisan. Why? The reasons have been stated ad nauseam, but essentially it's because a party label does tell the voter something. It doesn't tell you everything, but it tells you something. That's why we're voting against...against the concept. And I find it interesting that there's criticism of the Governor's intervention in the bill. After all, that's what we're all elected to do. The Governor was elected as a partisan to stand up for certain concepts, to fight against other concepts. It's not a big surprise that the Governor is political, that the Governor attempts to influence us. We attempt to influence each other on a regular basis. We attempt to influence the Governor. That's the way politics work. That's what people expect. When you run for office that's part of what you enjoy doing, is influencing other people, sharing your opinion with people and influencing other people. That's what we all do on a daily basis. I don't think, and I wouldn't for a second criticize the Governor for attempting to influence our votes. I attempt to influence him when I ask him to sign or veto legislation that I believe in or that I don't believe in. Happens. It happens every day. And I couldn't resist, on kind of a...a friendly note, of course, poking my friend Senator Chambers in the ribs a bit, and I was trying...Senator Tyson and I were talking earlier but what came to mind was Sisyphus, of course. Senator Chambers often regales us with stories and parables and so forth, but you remember the story of Sisyphus, the guy that would push the boulder up the hill and he'd get almost to the top and it'd roll back down on him and he'd do that again and again, never could quite get the boulder up to the top of the hill. With LB 510, I couldn't