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SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Raikes, would you respond to a question?

SENATOR RAIKES: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Raikes, if this bill passes with the 47 percent in place, how many years will the sitting members have to hightail it for cover before the impact from this bill is felt?

SENATOR RAIKES: Well, Senator, that...given the assumptions on the handout, I think it would be about five or six years, but it's worth pointing out that those are some specific assumptions which may not come to pass.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right, and thank you, that's all that I need. I wouldn't expect anybody to be able to predict with certitude what's going to happen, and one of the other times I was going to point out how even Warren Buffet couldn't do that. And he's not...he's not going to buy back any of their stock, that Berkshire Hathaway stock, on the market, but if people who hold it want to go make an offer to sell, they'll buy it at the current price or below, suggesting that you need to hold on to it because it might do something and probably will do something in the future. One thing I respect that man for that he expressed during this downtime for his company. Maybe I should make that plural. He said he and this other guy with him will stay within their realm of competency, that high-tech companies may be the thing, but that's not an area where he has a lot of expertise, so he is not going to jump into it. There's been no long-term determination of how those companies are going to fare, so he is going to stay with what has brought him to this point. And that's wise. When a person has been in a game for a long time, the individual ups and downs kind of smooth out when you take the long range view, and you don't panic based on a momentary change, and you do not become elated by a momentary or temporary change the other direction. You know that over the long haul, it's going to even out, more or less, and you may come out a bit ahead. You hope you don't come out too far behind. Gambling operations know if you can keep anybody gambling enough, the gambler is going to lose no matter what. Keep them there long enough, they are going to lose. Now, what