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LB 1010

Kristensen, you're recognized to speak to the Bromm amendment to your amendment to the Baker bill, LB 1010. Those wishing to speak are Senators Kristensen, Chambers, Jones, and Baker.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I'm, given what Senator Bromm said, I'm comfortable with his amendment. But I do think it's important here that we pay some attention to the type of land that's going to be sold, how it's going to be sold. And I know there are people who are angry at the way the board acts and behaves. But in every review that there's been, there's been no one who has said that they've breached their fiduciary duty, they've not been particularly critical of the results that have been received thus far on their investments and the way they've managed, and that really is the true test. At this point in time I would accept the Bromm amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Senator Chambers, on the Bromm amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I'm looking at old "Deacon" Jones, sitting there, like the cat who swallowed the canary. An amendment belongs to the person who offers it, in a sense. Those who support it are like crew members. If you're on the open sea, the captain is God. A crew member who is insubordinate, disobedient, obstreperous, if they're educated, can be found guilty of mutiny. And I don't know if they kill mutineers now, but they used to kill them, by hanging them by the neck until dead. Now if Senator Kristensen is comfortable with Senator Bromm's amendment, then I suppose Senator Bromm's amendment will be adopted. I see it differently from the way that they see it. Not always when you reverse words or a statement does it have the opposite effect. I will give Senator Bourne a chestnut horse and he'll say, all right. Now I say, Senator Bourne, does it matter how we phrase that? And he says, no. I said, all right, then I'm going to make a trade with you; he said, what's the trade? I say, I will give you a horse chestnut in exchange for a chestnut horse. All I've done is reverse the words. Is a chestnut horse the same as a horse chestnut? Certainly not. So, if you merely change the order of the words, have you changed the meaning? Sometimes yes, sometimes no. This is a bad bill in whatever form it