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member, and I'm the "carcass" master since I'm the oldest one, to be on the Executive Board. If the way I function is not satisfactory, they don't have to vote to put me on the Executive Board. But let me remind my brothers and sisters of the Legislature of this fact. This is the only functioning operational body within the Legislature that is truly representative...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...in the sense of members coming from all over the state, selected by these three "carcasses." No other committee is organized on that basis. You can trade, swap, and whatever else you want to do to get...(recorder malfunction)...this done. Let it be done by the Legislature, functioning as a committee of the whole. Senator Smith's amendment is innocuous, so I don't have an opinion on that one way or the other.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Engel, on the Smith amendment.

SENATOR ENGEL: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, just a few comments is I had this little study done and, since 1993, there were about .approximately 34 bills that were referred to the Executive Board that could have gone to Government. There's only about five of those that were really...could go either way, and so I don't this is something that's really, really such a controversial issue. And then again, like I told you before, we try to be fair and impartial, and as far as those people who do not agree with our referencing, we have given them the opportunity, and we did that again this morning, to come before the board and to plead their side of it. So I think we're being fair, I think we're being impartial, and I think we're doing the right job. So with that, I would again recommend defeating the amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Engel. Senator Wehrbein. Remind you that this is the Smith amendment to the Schimek amendment.