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SENATOR LANDIS: Well, decide for yourself what your message is, or whether you think there is a message here. I think the message is, this was a mistake, it was a bad idea, it's run its course, and we're going to repeal it. Too late, too little, no real remedy. But it is a...in my estimation, a shamefaced admission that this was a bad idea from the git-go.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR LANDIS: And it's come full circle.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: I appreciate that. Thank you very much.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Senator Chambers on the motion to advance LB 131.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, my only question is, what took you so long? This is the appropriate thing to do. We would not want anybody to entertain the mistaken notion that the mere presence on the books of this dead legislation offers any hope in the future of ever rectifying what all of us acknowledge was a wrong done to a group of people. I'm not going to rehash all of that. But it brought down Attorney General Paul Douglas. I had offered the resolution of impeachment, which was adopted by the Legislature. It took a supermajority of the court, five out of seven, to convict. As it turned out, four of the seven voted to convict. So a majority of the Legislature felt he should be put out of office because of what he did. A majority of the Supreme Court felt the same way. But there was not the supermajority. Nevertheless, on a subsequent disciplinary action, he was suspended for a period of time from the practice of law. So there have been many lives touched and tainted by the actions done under this language that Senator Landis is asking us to repeal. And I'm glad he's doing it. It reminds me of a short rhyme that I may have told people before. It is not original with me. I don't even remember where I first saw it. But it stuck with me. And it dealt with this guy who was a galley slave. And for those who don't know, people would be captured, they'd be put belowdecks in these boats, and sometimes not below