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instead of votes having to be cast in the way that Senator Landis said he would have to cast one were I to take the underlying amendment of mine to a vote. I assured Senator Pederson when I started that I'm not going to derail his bill. There will be a vote on it at some point this morning. I have not offered a reconsideration motion, but I'm entitled under the rules and I will seize my entitlement to discuss an amendment that I offer which is serious. Nobody can say the amendment is frivolous because whenever the issue is raised people have an internal response. If you hooked everybody up here to one of those machines that they call polygraphs that reflect various reactions in a person's body, you would see that when the term "sexual orientation" is just mentioned there is a reaction that people have. Usually it's because people know something is wrong in mistreating people of that orientation. They know they ought to do something about it, but they don't feel free to do so, so there is a conflict within. But whatever the cause or source of it, that reaction takes place within a person when this term is brought up. It's my job to bring it up. Has this term ever been put in statute before? Yes, it has. Section 28-112: "The allegations stating that the underlying offense was committed because of a person's race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, or disability or because of the person's association with a person of a certain race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, or disability shall be set forth in the indictment or information, but the allegations shall not be disclosed to the jury trying the case." The U.S. Supreme Court said that the jury must rule on these factors. Nevertheless, we have that language in the law already. So why do we halt between two opinions? Why cannot we...

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...say that if we're aware that serious criminal acts will be committed against people because of their sexual orientation, it lets us know that other areas of society will direct discriminatory treatment toward them? One of the fundamentals which everybody should be entitled to is the right to earn a living, and that right should be protected by the state. When it is clear that a segment of the population is