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SENATOR ERDMAN: Thank you, Mr. President, and I believe I will close. I'm not sure if that means I've lost my marbles or they've just been rearranged. But, Senator Chambers, those beans have not been lost or misplaced. But if you'd have been there, you'd have known that they weren't for your eating. Otherwise the other committee members would have gotten mad and would have demanded their bag of beans. And we can't just give food away on the farm. I would encourage your advancement of LB 219.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Erdman. You heard the closing on advancement of LB 219. Question before the body is, shall it advance to E & R Initial? All in favor of the motion vote aye, opposed nay. Voting on advancement of LB 219 to E & R Initial. Have you all voted who cared to? Record, please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 36 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 219.

SENATOR CUDABACK: LB 219 does advance. Mr. Clerk, next agenda item.

CLERK: LB 234 is a bill originally introduced by Senator Maxwell. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 13 of this year, at that time referred to Health and Human Services. The bill was advanced to General File.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Maxwell, you are recognized on LB 234.

SENATOR MAXWELL: Thank you, Mr. President. Now that the dry bean controversy is safely behind us, we can move on to LB 234. I introduced this bill on behalf of the Health and Human Services System. This bill would allow administrative review of allegations of fraud in ADC and child care subsidies. Under the current law, allegations of food stamp fraud are subject to administrative hearings. Allegations of fraud in ADC and child care must be pursued through criminal proceedings. But HHS doesn't like this. Prosecutors don't like this. They have other crimes that pose more of an immediate danger to society