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encourage you to listen to debate. If you have any questions, please ask. I don't think any of us on this floor are expert in this situation. There are people behind the glass that can help you, if you have any technical questions. Thank you for your time.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schrock. Senator Bromm on advancement of LB 165.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Mr. President. I think there have been some interesting questions raised by Senator Brashear and others, Senator Preister, I guess on this bill, and I'm going to listen and am willing to...if there's a way to improve it, certainly would always be interested in doing that. But I guess I start from the premise that I do believe this source of power in the state has been a very important part of our system here in terms of our...of keeping our costs at an affordable level, and there's no question but what there have been problems in the past with the operation of this facility at Brownville and, thus, one of our public power entities has chosen to attempt to seek other expertise or management, which is probably a very prudent decision on their part. And then I assume that it becomes a matter of negotiations as to what kind of contract you can negotiate with a proposed management company, such as this not-for-profit entity. And so if part of the negotiations, part of the requirements are that we clarify or allow the power company to clarify their position on indemnity, then this becomes a necessary element for them to negotiate the kind of contract that they probably have to negotiate. I don't imagine, and I don't know this to be a fact, but I don't imagine there are umpteen responsible entities out there looking to manage nuclear power plants. Senator Vrtiska may know more about that, or Senator Schrock, but it would be my assumption, I think, that that would not be the case. And if there were, certainly you wouldn't necessarily want to enter into a contract with one that didn't have some sort of track record of good management in the entire area of management of nuclear power. So I agree that this should be done carefully, but I think in discussing it, if there are concerns about the language that we need to look at, then we do that. But I think it's a very important bill to keep moving forward on and to get done so that we can have the