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SENATOR BRASHEAR: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, last time I rose to discuss the rather open-ended and very broad general indemnification provisions. This time, bear with me. Be thankful for time limits. I can only talk for five minutes, if I talk that long, and then I'm done. But you know, you listen to Senator Preister talk about his concerns and you listen to Senator Beutler talk about his concerns, and you hear Senator Vrtiska talk about how we maybe have to bring on another company to manage this public power district or this nuclear power facility, and there is another option. Senator Schrock told us to use our imagination, and if we turn to our imagination then we begin to think of creative things. And (laugh) once upon a time, a long time ago, I made a lot of people unhappy by putting in a newsletter that I sent to all 40,000, plus or minus, of my constituents that in the 1930s public power was a great idea, and we did a wonderful thing. We seized the initiative. We demonstrated unique creativity and we built a public power system of what...of which we have been justifiably proud for decades. But nothing is forever. And here we sit with one or more fairly significant fiscal problems. And the last time I asked an authority whom I respect how much money we could clear by deciding that a great idea in 1930 was still a great idea, but it was time to pass it on, we ought to sell that about which we were creative and unique, we ought to take our equity, our invested capital and use it for something else, I asked an authority what we could net after debt if we sold public power and they told me \$5 billion. Now I ran into that person recently and the number, of course, is coming down, because if you get excited about \$5 billion, with a "B," dollars, then, you know, they start trying to ratchet you down. So somebody said, oh, it's 3, and I said let's compromise on 4. And I...we haven't had a public hearing on this and this won't get reported and so we won't go anywhere, but I'm telling, isn't it classic? We had a great idea that has served us well for seven decades, but now we can't operate this plant and we may have to hire a private company to do it and we may need to indemnify them out of the public treasury in order to get them to do that which we cannot do even though we have supposedly been doing it? In other words, things are moving on beyond us and there actually is an alternative which we won't want to consider because it's