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Chambers and not offer any more pro-life rhetoric and just allow the bill to go forward as is. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Foley. The question for the body is advancement of LB 294 to E & R Initial. All in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed nay. The question for the body is advancement of LB 294 to E & R Initial. Have you all voted who care to? Have you all voted who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 32 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 294.

SENATOR CUDABACK: LB 294 does advance. Mr. Clerk, next agenda item.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next bill is LB 607, a bill introduced by Senator Schimek. (Read title.) Bill was introduced on January 21, referred to the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee. Bill was advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments pending, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Schimek, you're recognized to open on advancement of LB 607.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Mr. President and members. That took me by surprise that we did that last bill so quickly and I'm kind of getting my mind up to speed here, and I need a Page to do a handout here, if I could. I'm pleased to be bringing this bill to you today, and I'd like to thank Senator Combs for making it her priority bill, and I'd like to thank the committee for working very hard on this bill, and I'd like to thank Senator Beutler and the Executive Board for their work on the amendment to this bill. I will attempt to tell you basically what the bill itself does and then we will tell you how the committee amendment significantly adds to it, I believe. Let me tell you that over the years I think this has been a rather disputed issue about whether the State Auditor should be doing state audits or not, and I have to tell you that in 1991, when I was still a little young and green, perhaps, I introduced a bill to give the State Auditor the ability to do performance audits