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that's been very helpful. The only point I wanted to make, so that everybody clearly understood, because I think that it's been a point of importance to everybody, the power to institute a performance audit continues to reside solely in the Legislature. The auditor...but it recog...but the bill recognizes that the potential to do good in that area does exist in the Auditor's Office, and so there are two ways that the auditor can become involved. One is by doing a joint study with the Program Evaluation Committee that has to be approved by the Program Evaluation Committee and, secondly, by being authorized by the Program Evaluation Committee to do a performance audit on their own. And I would also point out to you that the Performance Audit Committee under the new structure would include the people that you have appointed to represent you in the highest places in the Legislature, that is, the Chair of the Executive Board and the Speaker and the Chair of the Appropriations Committee. So any authorization to do either a joint study or to authorize the auditor to do a study on her own would be a decision made by legislative leadership, for the most part. Having said those two things, I think everything else is mostly detail. We did react to and appreciate Senator Smith's suggestion that there be more geographic representation on the Program Evaluation Committee, and some language has been put in indicating that that should be the case. So we have taken to heart some, perhaps what could be called some light criticism from his direction in terms of how that...the committee has been structured in the past. It should have a broad geographic representation, and I think that it will have in the future. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President and members. I am standing in support of the Brown amendment to the committee amendment and would encourage you all to support it.

SENATOR CUDABACK: There are no further lights on. Senator Brown, did you wish to close? She waives the opportunity to close. The question before the body is adoption of the Brown amendment to the committee amendments to LB 607. All in favor of the motion vote aye, opposed nay. Motion before us is the