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This session has rocked along quietly. There has not been great scrutiny given to much of anything, because we haven't really had those kind of issues before us. Yesterday could have been the opening shot, but in the same way that others will fight against things they think are inappropriate, get ready to hear from me. There have been a number of proposals put to us, and the Judiciary Committee is serving as a dumping ground for a lot of them, and they're getting on the fighting side of me. And I want to serve notice on an issue that I have no opposition to so it won't seem that that is what triggered it, but I thought this might be a good opportunity, because the matter that Senator Wehrbein presented to us will not generate discussion, so I feel that I can steal...

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...these few minutes to put what I have to say into the record. And whether anybody has heard a word of what I said or not, I do not care, but I'll have a transcript. And if anybody wonders and they were asleep today, they'll find out that they slept at their own peril. Thank you, Mr. President. I support what Senator Wehrbein is doing. I'm just wondering what took so long, because I knew from the day this bill was introduced that it was not going anywhere. I had received that assurance and, in exchange for that assurance, I had given assurances too. Not...Senator Wehrbein and I didn't even talk about it as far as I know, but others and I did, and they know who they are and they shall remain nameless unless they choose to spill the beans. Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you, Senator Wehrbein, and may you and I get along this amiably during the upcoming debates on the budget, which I'm sure will be titillating and people will be paying far more attention than they're paying now.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Time has expired.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Further discussion on the motion to withdraw? Seeing none, the Chair would recognize Senator Wehrbein to close. He waives closing.