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SENATOR BYARS:    I presume.

SENATOR CHAMBERS:    Who asked you to bring this bill?

SENATOR BYARS:        It was brought to me by the...this woman, I can't remember her name, I can't pronounce it...it's kind of like "meningococcal." The...you're getting very good on that, Senator Chambers. Keep practicing.

SENATOR CHAMBERS:    Okay, I will.

SENATOR BYARS:        Who is a physician at the University of Nebraska Med Center and Creighton University. And she is head of the Immunization Task Force in the state of Nebraska. The information then, as we gathered information, a substantial amount of that information was brought to us by Aventis, by representatives of the drug company.

SENATOR CHAMBERS:    Is this person you talked to who brought you the bill the one who drafted it, or had it drafted in the form that it appears now?

SENATOR CUDABACK:    Time.

SENATOR BYARS:        No.

SENATOR CHAMBERS:    Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK:    You may continue, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS:    What did that person bring you as a bill, Senator Byars? Or did she not bring a draft?

SENATOR BYARS:        No. There was no draft brought to us on this. I'm...quite honest, I...at that point I was acting as my own legislative aide, and I'm not very good at that, and the...

SENATOR CHAMBERS:    So you drafted this, basically,...

SENATOR BYARS:        Right.