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SENATOR SMITH: So the...you're saying the equipment would be engaged...

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes.

SENATOR SMITH: ...and not just present.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes.

SENATOR SMITH: That might be a good amendment for Select File. That's certainly the intent in the details. I'd be happy to sit down (inaudible).

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. Well, I won't belabor it anymore at this point in time. I just wanted to ask you about it. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Chambers, on advancement of LB 303.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, we don't customarily address any comments to people in the balcony, but I'm in a unique situation. I want these young people to know how very proud and pleased I am that they are here, and they need to know that as long as I've been in the Legislature, I cannot be here forever and somebody is going to have to take my place. I cannot be here until some of you all get old enough to run, but you prepare yourselves so you can come here when I no longer am here and you can pass good laws, as I'm trying to do. Members of the Legislature, I happen to think that the law before us is more good than it is bad. Down through the years, since I've been in the Legislature, I have supported bills that would abolish entirely the requirement that a person wear a motorcycle helmet. The first year such a bill came before us and I supported it, I had made my statement based on the idea that the constitution gives a person a right to be a fool if riding without a helmet makes one a fool. There are a lot of things that people do, which as prudish and straitlaced as I might appear to be, that I would rather they not do. But because I would rather they not do it doesn't mean they should not. It does not even mean that my view is correct or the best