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need to consider in this process. Thank you very much.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Raikes. Senator Chambers, there are no further lights on. You're recognized to close, if you care to.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President. I would want this amendment adopted. I prefer that it be adopted rather than defeated. I prefer that all of the amendments be adopted. Senator Wehrbein said his vote is not a permanent vote. None of the votes we cast here today are permanent, not one is permanent. Even if a vote ultimately is given to advance this bill, that vote is not permanent. Senator Brashear, when time comes to move this bill to Select File, will argue that point, I'm sure, that regardless of how you may feel about any part of the bill or the bill itself, it's the vehicle by which work that needs to be done will be done, whatever the final form it takes. That will be his argument. That would be my argument if that were my bill. And I'm giving the same argument for this amendment. If you adopt it, you have not written anything in stone. You have focused attention on the slush fund, the rainy day fund, the reserve fund, whatever you want to call it. If you were going to be in a movie and you are a stunt person, Senator Mossey, and you were going to be hitched to the back of a car and dragged while sitting down on the concrete, they would put considerable padding between you, your skin, and the concrete, and they would stop the car before that padding ran out and then your skin would come in contact with the concrete while you're moving. What I'm trying to say is that while we're in this process we ought to show that we believe there should be some padding between the state's rump and the concrete. This vote is not going to do anything other than focus attention on one of the very serious aspects of the work that we're undertaking. No matter what we do, we're going to have a reserve fund. Something is going to be in it. Somebody had said that this Forecasting Board, the fortune tellers, the psychics, are going to give us a report on how much money can be expected to come in, and that the forecast is not looking good. Well, a fund like this is supposed to protect you when those circumstances come along. If they're unforeseen entirely then you're surprised, but you had enough forethought and foresight