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SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Landis. Senator Beutler, on your amendment to the committee amendments.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Landis, let me ask you one more question. Do you, or does the Revenue Committee intend to try to take the cigarette tax out of Senator Brashear's bill?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: No. I want...I think I made the mistake the other day of treating LB 759 as if it was a kind of common property, or property available to the Revenue Committee. And I apologize to Senator Brashear for that. And I've told him I'm not going to try to do that. It won't be my desire to strike cigarette taxes from the Brashear bill. I think it's up to Kermit to put the bill in the form that he wants...

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay.

SENATOR LANDIS: ...and then offer it to the body on Select File in the condition that he wants it.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Thank you, Senator. Senator Brashear, if I may ask you a question or two?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Brashear, would you respond?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Yes, Mr. President.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Brashear, with respect to the cigarette tax...and you might go on and talk about the income...the LB 1085 income tax piece that's in your bill...with respect to those two pieces, that's coming up on Select File, do you want to keep those pieces in your bill?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Yes. I'm going to drop back a moment, because I took your comment to indicate that I have permission. Senator Landis is being extremely gracious, but I want to get away from this concept that I ought to have some freedom to shape a bill. No, we're all here together. LB 759 wouldn't