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going to seek the liquor lobby's permission, then let them seek mine and that of other senators who feel in the way that I feel about taxing these beverages. This bill is not essential for any purpose. Everything in this bill can be achieved on Senator Brashear's bill. This bill does not attempt to raise the tax on cigarettes. Senator Brashear's bill does. If that bill falls apart, ...I'd like to ask Senator Brashear a question, if he's here.

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Brashear, would you yield, please?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Yes, Mr. Speaker.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Brashear, you've seen those little games that they had for children where you put...you build it, but if...and if you pull one of the little pieces out of the stack, the whole thing comes tumbling down.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: I think it's called tinker toys.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Now, if one of those elements were pulled out of your bill, that would just about make your bill impractical, as far as moving toward closing the shortfall. Is that true or false?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Well, it's certainly false.

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Because even if it were true, you wouldn't want to tell somebody that by doing that...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Cool,...

SENATOR BRASHEAR: ...that they...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...Mr. Tink....

SENATOR BRASHEAR: ...would achieve anything.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: You didn't let me finish. I was going to