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everything in the world is reduced in size and import, and this one thing looms over everything else. Well, that can happen. But for those of us who are not caught up in that, we need to look at the entire picture and put this in perspective. This bill, first of all, is not that important; by that I mean to justify taking the rest of the session or a substantial part of it. In its present form, nobody should vote for it. But if you go along and don't bracket, you've got to vote for it. Otherwise, why vote against the bracket? And the only way you're going to get a chance to vote for the bill is to cloture me. And Senator Kruse, I have no doubt, will offer a cloture motion. He already tried to cut off the debate on this motion that we have before there was any discussion. So are you going to vote for cloture? You going to give him 33 votes to shut me up, when 25 votes to bracket would be the responsible thing, and save his bill? And I've already told him how he can get rid of all of the debris that has been added to it. Somebody else should have made that suggestion to him. It's not my job to rewrite everybody's bill. It's not my job to tell everybody how to write their bill. That's their business. They conduct it the way they want to. But when it comes out on the floor, it's everybody's business. It should be. But I say again, whether anybody else on this floor sees his or her responsibility with the same eyes that I see mine, I intend to move in accord with my understanding and the sense of responsibility I have. I will be straightforward and tell you where I stand and what I'm going to do. My colleagues don't do that. You won't be blindsided by me. I hope that Senator Bourne's motion is adopted. It takes 25 votes. It will not kill the bill. But among other motions that I'll put on it is to send it to the Judiciary Committee. That's all I will have at this time, Mr. President. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Baker on the bracket motion.

SENATOR BAKER: Thank you, Senator Cudaback and members. We...calm down here, Senator Chambers. We got to back up a little bit here. These were both Senator Kruse's bills, LB 208 and LB 775. We tried to accommodate Senator Kruse. He had one priority pick, obviously, and he thought they were both important; they went together. So committee staff and his staff