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SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you, Mr. President, members. During the debate, I went back and I spoke to Senator Brashear. He had to step away for a minute. But he did offer his legal staff's assistance in drafting this over the interim, if that's of any consolation to Senator Baker, Senator Kruse. He...and I know Senator Chambers and Senator Tyson both mentioned that it should have been referenced to the Judiciary Committee. I don't know if that's true or not. But again, I filed the bracket motion because I thought then we...the bill wouldn't be killed; we could deal with it at the start of next session. Now, Senator Tyson and Senator Chambers expressed concerns that it should have gone to Judiciary. And I simply asked Senator Brashear if he would have his counsel assist the Transportation Committee in helping with these criminal statutes, and he pledged his support to do that. Again, I've never filed a bracket motion on a bill. And, Senator Kruse, I almost want to apologize for doing so. But again, this is indecipherable. And I have...I feel an obligation to discuss legislation that puts a burden on our citizens to even understand. So with that, I appreciate the debate. I would appreciate your support on the...voting yes on the bracket motion. Again, it's bracketed to the very first part of our next legislative session. Hopefully we can address it then. If Senator Kruse would like the remaining minutes of my closing, that would be fine. That's how nice a guy I am, Senator Friend, that I give (laugh) opposition an opportunity to close. But again, I think we should support the bracket motion. Let's move on. Let's make this better over the interim. And I pledge my support to do so as well. Senator Kruse, if you'd like the remainder of my time.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Kruse.

SENATOR KRUSE: Thank you. Thank you for the time. I would request that the floor support the bracket motion. I would make claim on a lot of promises, I got them all down back here, that you're going to make this thing comprehensible. I am advised by some of those who write the bills that much of what has been complained about cannot be clarified any further. DUI statutes differ from traffic statutes, and that's why all those references have to be there. That is the way it is. But I recognize that a clock is running. I am as anxious about that