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preposterous and it's preposterous to suggest that any corporation is going to be intimidated by a performance audit provision because all it means is that the Department of Revenue is acting in accordance with the statutes. They are properly checking number of employees, dollar amounts, and all of the other things that are involved in executing that program, just as if they...

SENATOR CUDABACK PRESIDING

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...were auditing a different program they would check all the requirements for that program. There is not a single argument that's been made today that should be persuasive to you against this amendment because it doesn't purport to do anything more than I think fundamentally you would want to do with any program of government, with any agency of state. It is your legislative prerogative to protect the taxpayers of the state and it ought to be from time to time exercised and it ought to be from time to time exercised with regard to each and every program that costs us a lot of money, whether it's a spending program or a credit program, or whatever type of program it is.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time. Thank you, Senator Beutler. You've heard the closing on AM2045 to AM2005 to LB 608. The question before the body is, shall that amendment be adopted? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Voting on adoption of the Beutler amendment, AM2045. Have you all voted who care to? Senator Beutler, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BEUTLER: I'd ask for a call of the house and a roll call vote.

SENATOR CUDABACK: There's been a request for a call of the house. All in favor of the house going under call vote aye, opposed nay. Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, to place the house under call.