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SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Debate on the Beutler amendment, Senator Cudaback.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Madam President, members, I guess I won't drag this out because I think some of our minds are mostly made up, but I forgot to say one thing earlier. I just don't think it's the right of any person, company, or whatever, to put in 20, 30 numbers, and the first person that picks up that phone and answers, the rest of the numbers are blank. I just don't think that's a right. I don't think...even think it's a privilege. I don't even think...I just think it's terrible. Anybody agrees with that philosophy, I think, you know go ahead and vote against the bill, then, I guess. But I just don't think how anybody can imagine the right just somebody to dial, I don't know how many numbers they dial, it seemed like 20 or 30. When I pick up the phone, my mother always said, well, nobody there again, again. Does that mean once, three times a day, I don't know, but that's just not a right, is it? We've got to correct that. Now how we going to correct it? You know, I know I don't want to punish the companies, don't want to punish them. Here I'm repeating myself. It's all rhetoric here from here on out, I guess, but Senator Beutler was right. You know, this isn't something for Senator Beutler, for Jim Cudaback, for Senator Smith, for Senator Bourne, for...this isn't for me. This for the people who (inaudible), I don't even want to call it harassment because the companies don't think they're doing that. They're wanting to sell. It's their privilege to sell. It's their right to sell, and I guess I will stop there. You understand, everybody here understands, I can tell by your expressions, they are kind of blank right now. Maybe you want to go home and eat. I don't know but, anyway, Senator Smith, would you like to have my time? He can have the rest of it if he wishes to.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Senator Smith, you have 3 minutes and 17 seconds.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Madam President and members. I will point out, it's been characterized that licensees are exempted, and that's not the situation at all. What the...actually the green copy did in the beginning and this amendment: still does is