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There's certainly members in this body that don't like that...those dollars earmarked, and I'd hate to see this money earmarked. But, having said that, I consider the...I consider any profiting or taxing from this as a state resource. The Carter Lake issue, Senator Brashear, I think that is very compelling. I think it adds some urgency to what we're talking about. And the one thing I want to emphasize, I believe this body owes it to the citizens of the state of Nebraska to put a reasonable proposal on the ballot for them to accept or reject. I'm going to say that again. I believe this body owes it to the citizens of the state of Nebraska to put a reasonable proposal on the ballot for the citizens of this state to accept or reject, and I don't know what that is. I am content with LR 11CA the way it is. It was compromise to get to where we are. I would probably vote against returning to Select File and against the Brashear amendment. However, if there's enough votes to do that, I would vote for that because it's probably a lot better than what the paid petitioners will give us. But I think what Senator Brashear has done here today is commendable. If I have time left, I will give it to Senator Cudaback.

SENATOR BAKER: Thank you, Senator Schrock. Senator Cudaback, you have 2 minutes and 40 seconds.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schrock. I appreciate it. I think we're all saying almost the same things, the ones that are in favor of this particular amendment. Am I in favor of it or not? I really don't know yet. But I do know one thing. If we don't do something, they will. If we don't do something, and you can't blame the people, if we don't do something keep in mind they will. Now do we want "they" to do this? That's fine if you do, but keep in mind we won't have a whole lot of control in this body on what they do. Because they're going to put it on the ballot the way they want it. Now I like "they." I mean, the people are good. But keep in mind they really will. Now, Senator Bourne, you can roll your eyes if you want to, that's fine. I'm just kidding. I'm just kidding. (Laugh) He did it once (inaudible) for me. I'm just trying to get back at you. But anyway, they will do it. It's always "they." You always hear they, they, they. But I'm saying this ten times so we can remember this. If we don't do it, they will, and they have a