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was filed last Friday from the president of the whole commission to the President of the United States. It did not go into specific little committees here and there. And again, this is a summary statement to the President of the United States. My friend, Senator Engel, you're old enough to remember polio. Polio was developed using human cell cultures. It won the Nobel Prize in 1954 for this. I can tell you this, when I was in high school we were scared to death of getting polio. Every one of us my age or so can remember a friend developing polio. There were two forms: one where you were paralyzed; the other one is what people forget, is that there was one called bulbar. It affected the base of your brain and stopped your breathing. That's why you had the iron lungs. We were scared to death of this. It was developed using human cell cultures. It would not be banished from the face of the earth without this type of research. And if you don't think that it isn't important--and I'm sure Senator Engel will remember this--I can tell you where I got my first polio inoculation. It was kind of like the day that President Kennedy was shot, it was that important to us. There are other things as well: viruses. The virus that spread throughout the world with the huge plague in 1918 can recur again. Millions of people can die from this disease. This type of research, not the specific one that we're talking here about this morning, will help us diagnose and treat these types of diseases as we go on. They're used daily in the hospitals in this state and everywhere else to diagnose virus diseases right now. It would seem to me that if we're going to pass this legislation, let's get rid of the polio vaccines, let's get rid of our treatment of viruses, let's get rid of our ability to diagnose using...to identify these various viruses. I think I'll stop at this point in time, because I want to go on with a little in-depth discussion from this point. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Johnson. Did you wish your time, Senator Schimek? Thank you. Senator Vrtiska, followed by Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Mr. President. As you can tell, I have a sore throat today, and I have a difficult time talking, so I'm not going to talk very long. I just wanted to stand to oppose the recommitment. I think the debate we're doing now is