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ASSISTANT CLERK: (Roll call vote taken, Legislative Journal page 396.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Not voting.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Senator Brashear, how were you voting? Voting yes for Senator Brashear. Senator Chambers changing to not voting. Vote is 12 ayes, 21 nays on the motion to recommit, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion was not successful to recommit LB 304. I do raise the call. Mr. Clerk, a priority motion.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to reconsider the vote to recommit to the committee.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Chambers, you're recognized to open on your motion to reconsider the vote just taken.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President. Now I'm going to carry through on what I said. I'm going to see if Senator Maxwell is going to stay up here and persuade you all to vote cloture. You got 21 votes against sending it back to committee, but I don't know if that means you've got 21 for cloture. You're going to have to pick up 12 votes. If everybody who voted against sending it back to committee will vote for cloture, you have 21. I think those who voted to send it back are not likely to vote in favor of this atrocity in this form. I'd like to ask Senator Maxwell a question, if he will consent to answer.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Would you respond, Senator Maxwell?

SENATOR MAXWELL: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Maxwell, have you looked at this? We call it the surprise amendment because it was given just this morning.