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vote for it, even if they have misgivings, but I cannot. I'm not convinced, I'm not satisfied that this is the appropriate thing to do. I will repeat once again what I was saying about the way a bill is handled. It is offered, and we can discuss it, and if we run out of time this morning, the bill doesn't lose its place. But since this is an amendment to a bill which ought to be advanced, there is a bit more pressure to do something at this instant. I cannot take the affirmative step of voting in favor of the amendment. If the amendment is added to the bill, I'm not going to resist the bill. But I will not cast a vote in favor of the bill, because of my lack of comfort with what this amendment is doing. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Further discussion on the Foley amendment? There are no lights on, Senator Foley. You're recognized to close.

SENATOR FOLEY: Yes, thank you, Mr. President, members. And thank you all for your discussion of the amendment, in particular Senator Chambers, who makes some excellent points regarding the employment difficulties of all persons. You're absolutely on-target on that, and I can't disagree with what you were saying. Just to remind you again, we've had since the 1960's a program for blind persons under the auspices of the Nebraska Commission on Blind and Visually-Impaired Persons. And that program provides training and support for the operation of vending and snack bar type operations. It's been a very successful history. The program here in Nebraska, like in 40 other states, is modeled after legislation enacted by Congress in the 1930s, known as the Randolph-Sheppard Act. There is a long history to this issue, to this program. It's been very successful. And it does help, at least in some small way, to alleviate the employment difficulties of blind and visually-impaired persons. It doesn't solve all the world's problems. It's a small step in the right direction. I'd ask you to join me in taking that small step in voting to advance AM2928. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Foley. You've heard the closing on AM2928, which is an amendment to LB 1005. All in favor of the motion vote aye, opposed nay. The question before