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SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Thank you, Senator Erdman. Senator Chambers. And this will be your third time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, unless you all grant cloture, I'm going to plod through this bill and offer motions to strike a lot of the excess from this bill. It's all very well for Senator Erdman, who is not acquainted with the criminal law, to keep falling back on his mantra about how much money may be lost to Medicaid fraud, because he can't answer specifically the other issues. And I'm not going to talk to him off the mike without making it clear what a botched-up job of drafting was done with this bill. And as for prosecuting criminals or suspected criminals, I look at the sweetheart deal the Attorney General gave to his fellow "Repelican," Lorelee Byrd. No fine, no jail time, and he agreed to let her off, and would not bring the charges that could be brought. There was a man named James Quinn with the lottery commission who violated the law. He is required under the law, if a spouse goes on a trip, to not let that be paid for by one of these lottery providers, or whatever they call them, I'd say purveyors. And his wife's trip was paid for. And the Attorney General said, well, he always intended to pay it back. But he didn't pay it back until the heat was on and a complaint he knew was being processed against him. And the Attorney General did not want to file charges, because his buddy...and you know why I call him his buddy? Because he's one of those people who had been working with the Revenue Department for about 30 years, and the Attorney General deals with those people with kid gloves. So he would favor people maybe charged with Medicaid fraud. If it's a big-time "Repelican" or contributor to the "Repelicans," that person gets a free ride, as did Lorelee Byrd and James Quinn. And the only reason Quinn was brought to book is because employees saw what what happening. I'm investigating on my own the rental of a "yatchat" for \$30,000. You all would say a yacht. I shouldn't have to do that. Employees shouldn't have to raise these issues. It's the Attorney General. But he's not going to do his job. And I am not going to support this bill that gives him eight more people, and the bill is drafted in the atrocious manner that it is. I told you all I would take out after the Attorney General. I'm not going to spend all my time right now on that. But I didn't want you to think that I'm just