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question, I'd try to answer them on this particular claim.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you. You've heard the opening on AM3256, which is an amendment to the committee amendments to LB 1241. Open for discussion on that amendment. Senator Bourne, followed by Senator Janssen and Stuhr. Senator Bourne.

SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you, Mr. President, members. Would Senator Vrtiska yield to a question?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Vrtiska, would you yield?

SENATOR VRTISKA: Yes, I would.

SENATOR BOURNE: Senator Vrtiska, when I...in your opening, you talked about those three claims that had expired warrants, and so the committee has decided not to pay those, is that accurate, or you are paying them?

SENATOR VRTISKA: The committee decided not to pay them since they have been...some of them have been...haven't been...have been carried over a couple of years, and I guess the committee's idea was we need to make a statement that if these people have these checks in these amounts and they don't bother to cash them, then they ought to come back and have to re-ask for them again. Because, you know, these have been around for awhile, and I don't understand why a company or anybody would let bills carry on that long.

SENATOR BOURNE: So there is a mechanism by which these individuals or entities can come back and ask for that warrant to be reissued?

SENATOR VRTISKA: That's correct, and they are a legitimate claim. Nobody is...nobody is questioning about the fact that these bills were legitimate and were paid, but they just weren't...the warrants weren't carried out. And so it was a little bit of irritation on the part of the committee and, in their discussion, they decided we'll make a statement--if you want this, if you want your money, cash your checks.