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begin to make plans as though the session has ended. But any significant issue can come back. I'm sure that as young as he is, Senator Smith, nevertheless has seen a number of Dracula movies, and he gets killed in every one. But they still have sequels, "threequels," and whatever they call them. Frankenstein has been burned by the villagers I don't know how many times. He comes back, at least the monster made by Frankenstein. The poor Wolfman, one of my favorites, when he was portrayed by Lon Chaney, the way Lon Chaney's eyebrows would slant downward, at the outer edge of his eyebrows, gave him such a pitiful, meditative, victimized look that when he turned into the Wolfman, I continued to sympathize with the creature he became because it was no fault of his own that he took that form. Well, the Wolfman is wiped out by silver bullets and other methodologies but he always comes back. I think with those examples, Senator Smith will understand what I'm trying to get across and I hope other senators will recognize the truth of it also. Any measure can resurface on this floor. Senator Smith had an anticloning bill which he didn't play his cards well on and he lost it. Then he had a fallback position. He went to the bench and summoned Senator Maxwell and persuaded Senator Maxwell to prioritize the bill again. Well, I was upset with that and I felt that a different Speaker would have said, no, you had your opportunity and that's it. But I didn't tell that to Senator Bromm. I didn't say it on the floor. That is one of the vagaries of how the legislative session unfolds. Senator Smith did not object to that having been done because he may have played a part in having it done. I will fight hard against bills that I oppose. If I bring a bill that somebody opposes, how could I, of all people, be offended if the same tactics I use against bills that I oppose are directed against my bill? I cannot. I acknowledge that that is legitimate. I wish it...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...would not happen. If I could prevent it from happening, I would do so, but I never call the question. I don't vote in favor of calling the question. I will never invoke cloture. I have never voted for the invocation of cloture. So I think Senator Smith is laboring under the