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digress just a little bit. I promise I won't digress much further than that because I have a documentation here about Wisconsin and Maine called "Inspirational Wins in Maine and Wisconsin" and that win is not jackpots, not the bright lights of Council Bluffs, not the supposed rush or get rich. I saw an advertisement on the Internet for gambling that said, pay off all your debt, gamble here. Huh, interesting. But what I've found most interesting is that the trend on ballot measures has been against the expansion of gambling, against casinos, Senator Cunningham. Senator Cunningham, would you yield to a question?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Cunningham, would you yield to a question from Senator Smith?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Yes, I will.

SENATOR SMITH: Senator Cunningham, you have the title today of "Chief Caller of the Question."

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Well, recently I've been called "Grease Gun."

SENATOR SMITH: Well, that didn't answer my question, Senator Cunningham. Are you the chief caller of the question today?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Actually, I'm not, no.

SENATOR SMITH: Okay, Senator Cunningham, would you think that it would be best for communities to vote whether or not to allow a casino in a...or, I'm sorry, a Wal-Mart into a community?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Due to my other job, Adrian, or, Senator Smith, I can't answer that.

SENATOR SMITH: You can't answer that question.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Yes, I can't answer that question.

SENATOR SMITH: That one threw me for a loop there. I apologize. I didn't realize there was a gag order on anything in here, but there is certainly a gag order on debate for LR,