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to Select File for the amendment. If you want to do that, fine, but it just adds another step to the process if ultimately you're going to vote against the amendment. So that's my take on the subject. And I would give the rest of my time to Senator Brown.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Brown.

SENATOR BROWN: Mr. President, members, in addition to my previous statements about the amendment that we previously adopted, the Janssen amendment that would move what we're considering to two casinos plus the number of casinos that might be authorized for Native American tribes, and that it was the middle of this body that ended up making that decision, I would also say that if LR 11CA passes, it will be the most significant example that I've ever seen of us making a decision in spite of the lobby, because we have far more people out in the lobby who want some variation that they don't think is going to be firmly enough accomplished by LR 11CA. And yet we are the ones that are having this debate, and it is the most Legislature-centered debate that I have been involved in. And so I think that we should be happy for the fact that we are dealing with this, and not having it be all dealt with out in the lobby.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR BROWN: I will share with you, after an amendment that I placed on LR 209CA about the two casinos, which I just did sort of as a lark, and I don't even know where the idea came from, I walked out into the lobby, and someone said to me, did you think of that yourself? And my response was, well, yes, occasionally they let us think in here (laugh) without the help of the people out there. And so what...however this comes out, I do believe that we are doing the business that we were elected to do, even though I would agree with some of the arguments that have been made about what the difference between a democracy and representative government is, and that it...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator Brown.

SENATOR BROWN: Thank you.