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SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Brown. Senator Brown, your light is next. You may continue.

SENATOR BROWN: Thank you. I would just conclude by saying it is our responsibility to make this decision. I do not see this as either according to the electorate more responsibility than we should, or according them less responsibility. This...we are...as we move forward, we are doing this together. And they will decide whether they want some of the options that are...that very possibly will be out there in the form of the petition, or whether, if LR 11CA advances, they wish to go along with the Legislature. And I would yield the rest of my time to Senator Hudkins, if she would like it.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Hudkins.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Mr. President, how much time is left?

SENATOR CUDABACK: There's about...about one minute has been used.

SENATOR HUDKINS: All right. I'll try. My light is on.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Four minutes left.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Actually, I think that I'm going to vote for Senator Smith's motion to return to Select File. This might be a good idea, to let the communities decide if they want to continue with their gambling. I've heard--and somebody can prove me wrong--that there are some states who are saying, we wish we had never done this, perhaps Louisiana being one of them. Maybe Iowa would like an opportunity to decide if, although all these millions of dollars are being spoken about, how many of them actually go back to the citizens of Iowa? We have, with Senator Janssen's amendment, reduced the number of casinos from eight to two. And obviously, that does not include the Indian casinos. But we don't know where those are going to be. And the closer they are to a community, the more potential problems there could be. We've seen the studies that say over 90 percent of the people want expanded gambling. But then you