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penalty for using the word "retirement." Through the course of this process, we found that there are...there is no official list of words. There are no guidelines. There are no exacting words whatsoever. It's kind of like, you should know what they are. So to make a much longer story short, the company spent about \$10,000 defending themselves. And when we finally met with Mr. Alfonza Whitaker, HUD, and all the players, the unprofessionalism and the lack of business sense, if you will--and I'm attacking Mr. Whitaker, just based on this single incident, suggested, why don't you just come talk to me, we'll work something out. And I've heard this on more than one occasion, that, let's just work something out, and, you know, I'm flexible, we can do whatever. My...I guess the point is, I don't have a lot of respect for NEOC, based on that one experience, and based on other suggestions that I've had from people on the other side of the housing issue. Certainly there's...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR MINES: ...discrimination. Certainly there's wrongdoing. But there's also, I believe, wrongdoing from the NEOC. And for that very reason, I'm going to support LB 625. Maybe it's a good reason, maybe it's not. It's my reason. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Mines. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, after listening to Senator Mines, if I were sketching a cartoon of myself, you would see the head of a bull, with the most severe frown a bull could muster, and smoke coming out of both nostrils, out of the corner of his mouth, out of the top of his head. However, I'm not a cartoonist. I'm trying to get to an issue which I think has been trivialized. And it manifests the difference in perception between white people and black people about our relative situations. I would trade with Senator Mines' aggrieved people the situation of my people any day. I would trade their position with anybody in here, and anybody they represent, any day. If you look at any polls that are taken about racism, there's always an overly optimistic