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you'll see that the only difference between a smile from the teeth out and a snarl is the motivation and the sound that accompanies it. I am as reasonable as anybody will allow me to be. I will work with anybody on any issue which I have the time and the ability to work on with them. But because I tried to work with people on issues, I don't want my gentleness of spirit, my sweetness of nature and disposition, to be mistaken for weakness and simplemindedness. The amendment has been agreed to by Senator Cunningham. That should be sufficient basis for the body to adopt it, even if you didn't hear a word of what I said. Because you...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...want to get off this bill; you want to get to other things. Brothers and sisters of the Legislature--and to steal a very calming opening that Senator Preister used to use but does no longer--and friends all. I used to like to hear Senator Preister say that, because it put me in mind of those gatherings of people who don't have harsh, rigid doctrines, not exclusive dogmas, but an open-minded, open-armed approach to anybody who wanted to come and join the gathering and contribute, even if it was only by silence. I'm asking that you adopt this amendment. Then we can go on with our process. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. You've heard the closing on AM0136, offered by Senator Chambers to LB 118. Question before the body is, shall that amendment be adopted? All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. The question before the body is AM0136, offered by Senator Chambers, which is an amendment to LB 118. Have you all voted who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 33 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Chambers' amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion was successful. The amendment has been adopted. Before we...

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.