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really appreciate his principles, what he's doing for the legislative body, and also the other members of the legislative body, the senior members, because there is a wealth of knowledge here and we need to respect that. And I'm just...I'm a member of the class, the first class that is going to be affected by the term limits when, hopefully, within...when in four years from now there will not be any of those senior senators here any more, and that will be a tragic loss, in my opinion, because of the knowledge that these people have, how to accomplish things, how to get things done. And, you know, all I'm saying is that the new freshmen senators of this year, this year's class, you know, need to observe what the senior members of the legislative body are trying to do and how we accomplish things. Yes, we debate things here on the floor. That is where it needs to be And it's from members, the senior members are doing the debating. They know where we've been. They know things that need to happen. So, realistically, I respect those people. I admire Senator Chambers on his efforts and I realistically think the debate will not get as contentious in future years when these senators are not here. Maybe it will be good, but I don't think so. I realistically think this is the place where we need to debate it and iron things out, and we've got a lot of different interests and, you know, that needs to be aired. So, with that, I will turn the balance of my time back to the Chair. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Senator Stuthman. Any further discussion? No other lights. Senator Don Pederson, you're recognized to close.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor. Members of the Legislature, we've had an interesting and I think long-range discussion about how we're going to go in the future. My amendment...as you know, I wasn't wild about this bill, but the amendment that I proposed was one that I thought could make it workable and we could still live with it. And in that respect, I would ask your support for this amendment. I think it makes the bill more workable in the future. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Senator Pederson. The question before the body is, shall FA15 be adopted to LB 28? All in