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walked like grown men and women. Infants in swaddling clothes threw off those swaddling clothes and walked. Little-bitty fellows, but they walked. And they were all following the piper. And the townspeople were worried. If he is as vicious as the townspeople were, the same fate that befell the rats will befall these children. But the piper was not a cruel person. The piper did not hate children. The piper was not going to make the children suffer for the sins of the fathers and the mothers. He marched them to a mountain. The mountain opened. The children went through the opening. Then the aperture closed, and that was that. Except some people thought there was someplace on the other side of the mountain where these children went, and they grew into adults and they lived happily ever after. Now, I'm the piper. I allowed Senator Janssen and the National Guard to have their dance on General File. Well, now the time has come, and the piper must be paid. The clock is striking midnight and Mephistopheles has come to Dr. Faustus and told him: You got everything you bargained for;...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...now you've got to pay. Faustus didn't want to. He said, I wish I could become one of the stars and be lost among all of those stars. I wish I could become a drop of water and disappear in the ocean. But that's not the way these deals work. You have to be aware of who it is you're dealing with. You can trick human beings. You can con God. But when you make a deal with the Devil, you're going to have to pay when payoff day comes. That day has come in this Legislature for LB 96.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Chambers, you're recognized. And this will be your third time, as you know.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Mr. President, since the National Guard has dug their heels in and they're going to fight, I'm going to take a vote on my amendment. And I'm going to say what it is, for the record. This amendment would no longer allow state funds to be spent in private or independent colleges or universities which are regionally certified or accredited. It's