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the committee amendment, I'm going to support the bill, but I want the Department of Roads to know that this is inappropriate. It's wrong. This is the wrong way to handle this, this subterfuge, this eleventh hour stuff, throwing those amendments out at the last minute, basically Shanghai...hijacking somebody's bill. It's wrong and I'm going to let them know over the next several months that this is wrong. But as of right now, I'm going to support the amendment and I'm going to support the committee amendment, I'm going to support the bill. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Bourne. Senator Baker, you're recognized to close on your amendment, AM0308.

SENATOR BAKER: Thank you, Mr. President, members. I want to reiterate what the amendment does. We've had a lot of discussion outside the scope of what the amendment does. But the amendment says you can't solicit on any roadway that's part of the state highway system. You can talk to the Department of Roads all you want, Senator Bourne, but I don't, personally, I don't want solicitation on a state highway. I don't think that's something we want to subject...it's not...our citizens to. It's not good policy. So, regardless of what Roads wants to do, I have to have this amendment adopted or I go...I no longer support this bill. I just don't think it's good policy to allow solicitation on the state highway system, period. So my amendment, once again, says that this solicitation can be done, except on roadways that are part of the state highway system, and I ask for your adoption of AM0308. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Baker. You've heard the closing on AM0308, which is an amendment to committee amendments to LB 7. The question before the body is whether that amendment should be adopted. All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. Voting on adoption of AM0308, which is amendment to the committee amendment. Have you all voted on the question who wish to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Baker's amendment to the committee amendments.