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SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Could you just restate the question? I was talking to legal counsel and didn't hear it all.

SENATOR LOUDEN: Okay. I guess my guess is we're to...the question is, do we strike Section 7? And as I've read through this thing, it look...my observation is that Section 7 is probably some of the better part of the bill that would help laboring people, providing you have an amendment that you mentioned earlier. I think you have some wording that Senator Chambers or somebody mentioned to put in there. And that would...that has to be a kind of a major part of the bill. Am I correct?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Well, Section 7 is a major part as far as organized labor, and I told you that we had many meetings--Senator Combs, Senator Redfield, myself, labor, and business. And Senator, 7 definitely affects organized labor and their opinions, and it's one of the things that we negotiated in, and so I would stand up here and tell you we cannot strike Section 7.

SENATOR LOUDEN: Now, and you had...earlier in this today and during some of the debate, you mentioned there was some wording that you would be willing to put into that section. That was where it went in, Section 7. Am I right on that?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: One of the wording changes was a deletion that was at the end of Section 6, the page before, on page 27, or no, wait, the page before, on page 26. I'm...

SENATOR LOUDEN: I guess what I was going to, I thought Senator Chambers had said that what isn't written down in this law then would not be covered, and he wanted some language to the extent that other situations could be covered...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR LOUDEN: ...in this language. And was that in Section 7 where that was going to be inserted?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Yes, it is, and the wording is "including