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should be in, I'm going to vote no. But I'm not going to argue against the bill, but that is why I'm voting no. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Thank you, Senator Cudaback and members. I appreciate everyone's patience through this. We've spent a long time on this. As you remember some of the early history of this, we got together starting last fall, and Senator Combs and Senator Redfield and Senator Bourne originally introduced me to some of the organized labor, and we've had a lot of meetings, lot of back-and-forth. We've tried to do the best we could to get something together that was going to ensure the solvency of trust fund well into the future. And that's the ation of this bill. And now with Senator Beutler and culmination of this bill. Senator Chambers and also Senator Brashear's help in helping to craft this final amendment, we're at least at this point getting it on to Select File, and we can get on to something else. So I would appreciate your vote. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Cunningham. You've heard the closing on the first part of the divided committee amendments, FA109. The question before the body is, shall FA109 be adopted? All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 42 ayes, 1 may, Mr. President, on the adoption of the first component of the committee amendments.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Committee amendment has been adopted. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, the second component of the committee amendments is FA110. (Legislative Journal pages 996-997.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Open for discussion the adoption of FA110. Senator Cunningham, did you wish to open on FA110?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Thank you, Senator Cudaback and members.