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bringing it back on Final Reading. And I believe that Senator Synowiecki and Senator Chambers are agreeable to working between now and then for one amendment that would then be offered, and it's my understanding that these amendments will be withdrawn this morning. So we'll work on it and hopefully have a work product that will be satisfactory for everyone involved before this bill is voted on, on Final Reading. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Erdman. Senator Byars.

SENATOR BYARS: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Thank you, colleagues, and thank you, Senator Jensen, my esteemed Chair of the Health and Human Services Committee. Your new-found sense of humor is very appreciated. We're getting global, Senators. We're getting where we need to get. We're taking this study and we're including people that need to be included, we're protecting people that need to be protected, we're looking at the needs of the providers of services in the state of Nebraska. We're looking at the insurance and long-term care industry and their involvement. With these amendments that I know can be worked out, I see...sense a real feeling of cooperation to get to a point where we involve what happens, as far as business incentives in the business community is concerned. It has to be part of this process. And I want to commend everybody for working so hard to try to come together to get this conclusion. Obviously, we'll have to wait to see what the amendment is when we get to Final Reading, but Senator Erdman is being fully cooperative in saying, hey, I'll allow this to be brought back, so that we can put appropriate amendments on the bill that make it better. We're all amenable to that, and I am so grateful for the fact that we're moving out globally. We aren't...we were so narrow in this initial piece of legislation, and this is getting where we need to do to get an appropriate study, and I want to thank my colleagues. And now we're starting to get repetitive and I won't yield my time to anybody. I give the balance back to the Chair...to the Speaker.

SENATOR CUDABACK. Thank you, Senator Byars. Senator Redfield.

SENATOR REDFIELD: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the