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on FA34, being as there's no more lights on.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I wish, figuratively speaking, I could have turned on some lights in people's heads on this issue. But tomorrow morning, when we start afresh, maybe minds will be clearer, they will be open, and maybe I can insinuate something into those minds. Maybe they'll get calls from their constituents, reminding them of how important the constitution is. The amendment that I'm offering, which would protect in the constitution the right to invent fishing, trapping, and hunting, is as reasonable and rational as the original proposition Senator Schrock is offering us in LR 8CA. Now, if you don't accept my amendment, does that mean that hunting, fishing, and trapping cannot be invented? No. So why should you put it into the constitution? You should not. But I'm offering it to show that what Senator Schrock is offering should not be in the constitution either. And I have many amendments to cover, much time that I will consume thereby. Then I will have other bills on which to apply the Chambers method. I will discuss this constitution, the amendments that I'm offering, and the subject matter of those amendments. My hope is that when this discussion is over, a record will have been compiled which people can read and see that at least one person knew something other than how to carry water for the liquor industry, the tobacco industry, or those big cattle growers and others who want to upset the ecology. I am here to do that, and I will do it. Every one of these amendments that I am offering is as reasonable and rational as Senator Schrock's proposal. I'm going to continue offering them. I'm going to plow through every one of them. And there are those of you on this floor who know that what I'm saying is true. And there are people who will come up to me and agree with what I'm doing. But the only one speaking on behalf of the constitution is me. When one of the issues will come before us that they think is important, they will come to me to see if I will give some assistance. Yet, they don't care about the constitution. Certainly, I cannot be the only one who has concerns. But apparently, I am. If you read the record, none of the other 48 senators has any concern about what is being done to this constitution. And people should not be so lazy. You know that I will wage this