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lends just the right touch, / And all of this waits . . . for you! / Graves freshly dug, with stone vaults placed inside them; / Caskets are placed in those vaults that do hide them. / Florists, morticians, gravediggers and such-- / These are your servants who thank you so much! / Row-upon-row rest the graveyard's residers. / Some day, all out here will all be insiders. / Here is a truth which each person does know: / We all shall help make that populace grow. / When the last dirt tops the casket, / And the grave is filled, / We shall not gather again in this way, / Until someone else . . . is chilled! (Laughter)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Are you through, finished, Senator Chambers? (Visitors introduced.) Senator Schimek, followed by Senator Louden, on the motion to return.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President and members. I stand in favor of the motion to return to Select File. to tell you that this bill has been before the Government I've lost count, and every year it Committee umpteen times. comes back in a different form. I think one of the early objections to the bill was the cost of the bill, and so through a number of different bills, we've gradually weeded out the cost of it. And I have to tell you that the Government Committee did advance this on a 7-0 vote with one person absent, so we worked on the bill. We amended the bill and we sent it out. Senator Landis, I have to apologize to you because I just became aware this morning that the amendment you are doing has a few little changes from the committee amendment. So when we get this returned to Select File, which I hope that we will, maybe you and I can talk about that for just a moment. But in the meantime, this bill is long overdue. We really do need it, and I'm 100 percent behind returning this to Select File. you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Senator Louden, on the motion to return.

SENATOR LOUDEN: Yes, thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I would like to ask Senator Landis a question, if I may.