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laughing, laughing so hard at how he had beaten the system, that he couldn't stop shaking from laughter. And he also laughed so hard that tears came out of his eyes, and that is what blotted the ink or made it run. Naturally, as far as I know, I'm being sarcastic, but you can't never tell...you can't ever tell about these things. Now I cannot but believe that when Senator Brashear walked into that hearing room, there was an air and aura of intimidation. The commission is not composed of the bravest people in the first place. The director knows that he sits under a sword of Damocles, supported by a thread, so he does not want to take on...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...a lion if he can get away with being a pussycat and assume that submissive posture and not have the lion's wrath turned on him. Am I saying Senator Brashear did anything unethical or illegal? Not on your life. But Senator Brashear is a very wise and savvy individual and he knows that by the Speaker of the Legislature walking in--and he can never be separated from that as long as he has that position, rather than another member of his firm handling this case--that aura, that impact would be felt. And by the commission following what I consider a gutless path, with all this whining about the difficulty of making a case, makes me feel that they should never, under any circumstances, ever even consider...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...charging anybody with a crime, no matter what is done.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So soon?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Yes, so soon.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: We live so short and stay dead so long. I just thought I'd throw that in. Thank you, Mr. President.