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LB 38

Senator Landis' nuggets of wisdom. But every now and then, he will share one with us out here. Senator Bourne really socked it to Senator Landis with that "you've got to be present to win." I like that. Sometimes you don't have to be present to win, if you are a looming, overarching enough...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...presence. I hope that the 33 votes are not given. The 33 votes are not necessary. This bill does not need the emergency clause. We should not just casually and whimsically add that clause because somebody wants it. There is, in fact, no emergency of any kind. There is nothing in terms of the active ingredients in this bill which will be harmed without the emergency clause. We should replicate what we did this morning. We were correct then. We will be incorrect if we toss that aside without achieving anything worthwhile or of significance. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Further discussion. Seeing no lights on, Senator Landis, you're recognized to close on your motion to reconsider.

SENATOR LANDIS: I think Senator Chambers and Senator Bourne and I would agree that in fact the situation is this--it is possible for LB 38 to work without the E clause. However, the point of distinction is this--that with the E clause it is, I think, able to work better. It is...and it works better to the benefit of the general public, not just the community college system, but the general public, by allowing greater access to the budgeting process and allowing that process, in a flexible manner, to give notice to the public and a chance to react, greater than if it is pushed to the very last minute of the budgeting cycle. For that reason, I think there is merit in calling back LB 38 and adding to it the E clause. Understanding that the bill will become law without the E clause, the E clause allows, I think, for the better administration of the act. And for that reason, I would ask for the reconsideration and the return of the bill for the E clause vote.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Landis. You've heard the