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if it's any peace, I think this is less confusing than what we could be doing if we pass this floor amendment. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Flood. Senator Beutler, on the Wehrbein FA222.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature, I agree with much of what Senator Flood has said and Senator Bourne has said, but I think...I think the analysis is even If you have a statute of limitations, that's it. have one statute. You have a statute of limitations. But this is not a statute of limitations kind of situation. In this situation, you have a kind of limitation, a one-year period for the payment of the warrant, but that's not all you have. have in statute also a means of addressing a problem in the event that you miss that deadline, and that's the State Miscellaneous Claims Act, and it says you can use this for any claim against the state for which there is no other specific provision of law for the resolution of such claim. And these kinds of late payments have traditionally been accepted by the State Claims Board as a miscellaneous claim, and there's a whole procedure set out here whereby you can do that. In other words, we are actually saying that the absolute deadline of one year is absolute deadline; there is a process that you statutorily can go through that's described here, and the bottom line is that it's up to the state, with the recommendation of the state risk manager, to do what they think is fair in an individual situation. And so doing...following this process is a matter of what's in the statute now and so, once again, I would argue that, before you change things, that you look and see what's in the statute and you decide how you're going to change things in some uniform method rather than starting out right here on a couple of particular claims. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Cunningham, on the Wehrbein amendment.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Thank you, Senator Cudaback and members. I appreciate all of the discussion on this. It certainly evolved into a little more than I anticipated. My preference would be,