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LB 13, 312

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Brown, followed by Senator Connealy.

SENATOR BROWN: Members, I would yield some time to Senator Landis.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Senator Chambers, you wily dog! What happens when I talk to my colleagues is that they split along the lines of how they react to the sexual orientation amendment itself, which is controversial and it's a close question of the body, when the underlying bill itself, LB 312, is not that way. I'm going to decline your offer, and I'm going to make you one in return. Has nothing to do with this bill. I expect us to go to cloture on this bill. I've got a bill on workers' compensation, it's LB 13. It's my name; it's out here. I'd be happy to gut the bill and offer it to you as a staging area for this amendment, because I agree with you as to that topic, and I don't want it to go away, but I'm going to decline your offer on LB 312.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: May I ask you a question? Does your bill have a chance to come up this session?

SENATOR LANDIS: To my knowledge it's been put on Senator Brashear. Now I will tell you, there's a risk of it, and that is that it's...that if it's put where Senator Brashear wants to get it put, it will be on that half an hour controversy and then you take it off piece, which would be, as you can imagine, a Pyrrhic victory, because the half an hour would run out, and we'd both lose our chance to do that. But the bill is available, it's out, and I would just say that, so you know I don't dispute where you're going, and if I have another platform I would make it available to you. That's one that I can think of.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Landis, because you have always operated in good faith with me, and that is an offer that I'm willing to accept...somebody was talking. I think it was Dr. Johnson. People think I don't pay attention when I'm not