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bill is as pure as a new born babe's rump. This thing is something that I did not believe would be advanced from the Revenue Committee when I was told about it. But if the body is going to take this monstrosity seriously, we should find out at the beginning. If there are 33 votes against bracketing it, which would translate into 33 votes for it, I will take the eight hours. I will not make any deals on this bill. Some of you who have contacts in the business community should talk to them and see what they think of this as a policy. They would not be competing with Cabela's on this because they've got theirs. I had mentioned to one or two of my colleagues that a person from the business community criticized this to me, and they know how I feel about what they got. They do not see it as good policy. I don't know if they will talk to others on the floor, but when I take a position, it is not dependent on how many other people are going to support it. This bill is a travesty. If Cabela's is as great a thing as Senator Landis says...and by the way, he sounded more like a carnival barker this afternoon than at any time I've heard him. There was a lack of conviction in his voice. It's like, hurry, hurry, hurry, step right up, get Senator Landis' youth elixir. Fifty years old? Take a swig of this, and you'll look like you're 30, although you may feel like you're 80 until it kicks in. Step right up, come one and all. And he'll say, in his mind, there ought to be plenty of you because there's one of you born every minute. How big a sucker is this Legislature? What do they think of my colleagues that they would bring an atrocity like this and expect you to pass it? I have more confidence in you than that, but I've been wrong in my assessment of the Legislature. But this bill will take eight hours and it will take eight hours on Select, and I will have to take as much time as I can on every other bill to make sure we don't get to it again. Now some people think that I've grown tired this session, that I'm worn out, that I'm worn down. Test me on this bill and every bill that comes after it. And if this bill seems like it's going to move...the Speaker is trying hard to manage the session. I'm trying to work with him where I can. But if he brings a list of bills out here, even though I had a chance to get a matter discussed on one of the bills that means a lot to me, namely, prohibiting discrimination against people because of sexual orientation; each one of those bills will get a half