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do raise the call.  Anything further on the bill, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK:  I have nothing further, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK:  Open for discussion.  Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS:  I'll put my light off.  I just want to have a chance to closing to do some work for the  intent  language  for the bill.

SENATOR CUDABACK:  Further discussion on advancement of LB 312? Senator Landis, your light came on again.  You may either  speak or you may close.

SENATOR LANDIS:  Thank you.  Mine is the only light on so this is the closing for advancement, is that right?

SENATOR CUDABACK:  You are closing.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you.  One of the things that  we've  done in  this  amendment  is that we've identified that the new tiers and some of the new programs that are created will also be  part of  the  aggregate  report  that  we  have for the Department of Revenue.  What the Department of Revenue has done for  aggregate reporting is satisfactory up until now.  I hope it continues for this  new  area  as well.  On page 76, the Tax Commissioner shall make a report aggregating taxpayers.  What they've  been  doing now,  which  is  making sure that there's at least more than one group in any  aggregation,  is  the  appropriate  thing  to  do. Taxpayers  should  not be individually identified for our report system.  That simply carries on what we're doing now.  There  is a  place where we'll have project-by-project data, but that's in a different section of the law.  I gave mixed signals to Senator Smith, I think it's quite true, and in fact I want to  apologize to  him.   When  I...sometimes when I just don't want to go someplace, I'll say something like, well, I'll think about  it, when I really know.  I voted against...I mean I fought that idea two  years  ago  when he tried to put it into LB 608.  I led the motion to kill the bill in Revenue Committee, but  when  it  was out  here,  I  did say something like, well, I'd think about it. The truth of the matter is I didn't want to make the change.   I