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steam out of it it may have. But as for the circumstances that obtain right now, I think LB 48 ought to be sent back. I'm not impressed by or swayed in the least by what Senator Landis said about LB 748. He's advocating a position. There are lobbyists with whom he agrees. There's a company that he favors, or maybe two companies. That happens on the floor. But this is not his committee. He can pontificate, he can "kayjole"--you all say cajole, or whatever else he wants to. It reminds me of this guy who was...his name was Galloway, before this U.S. Congressional committee, and they're used to dealing with cupcakes.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: He told them--because they accused him of some things with reference to that food...oil for food program in Iraq. He said, you...your committee is behaving like a lynch mob. What you've presented is full of schoolboy errors. Mr. Chairman, this is the mother of smoke screens, and put that committee in its place, because they were used to being shown so much respect and deference. And some people in the Legislature get that notion, too, because of the way their committee members fold. But that ain't the way it's going to be everywhere or the rest of the session. So we may as well lay everything out on the table now and battle. And if I can be criticized for leaving during a storm, you all start criticizing some of your chairpeople who are not here to handle bills that come out of their committee. Do it across the board. Let's lay it all out, because we're all grown. And if you haven't got the time, don't be a chairperson. Now, having unburdened my soul,...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: You're welcome. Senator Friend.

SENATOR FRIEND: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. I just wanted to finish up, and I don't even know if I'll use the entire amount of time, but wanted to point out a couple of things, in relationship to the reconsider, and then I won't belabor it. We're all going...we're all going to do what