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than we need to do at this point, and I think that a lot of that has been covered this morning. The point that Senator Beutler brought up about, you know, repealing a section of law that hasn't been used, I think is also more than we need to do. We ought to be studying this, we ought to stop public entities from retailing, but beyond that, I don't think we should. So I just thought I'd make sure people remembered from back last week where I am on it. We had an amendment that wasn't successful. I've got a couple more that...down below. We are going too far with this bill, even though I believe that we do need a retail ban.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Connealy. Senator Brashear.

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. And therein lies the rub. Senator Connealy, who is opposed to the bill, believes the bill goes too far, but he supports the retail ban. It has been that kind of effort all the way through. There is a ban on retail. Those who would be banned from retail are supportive of the ban and are willing, as part of the total accommodation, for getting the study, which will be an informative effort that will come back to this Legislature with its substance. Everybody wants to do that. We're trying to figure a way. And the reason why Colorado and Texas and other entities aren't particularly helpful is because we are the state in the United States of America that has public We want power We have said we want public power. provided by nonprofit entities. We are a different horse of a different color. And when you boil the bill down, so you have a retail ban that even some of the opponents are speaking in favor of, you have a moratorium on wholesale--I'll come back to that--and a study done by as broad a group as we can put together--maybe we could make it broader, but I'm willing to talk with anybody on the composition of the group--but we have a broad-based study, professionally facilitated, to help us get the information so we can talk about how we ought to be moving into the technology era in a sensible way. And the reason I ask your permission to come back to why we need the moratorium is because, in whatever area you work, you have the experience. People who have the money, make an investment in capital