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on issues like I did, so until you can be...make yourself aware of what was happening on issues like racial profiling on the interstate, you keep your groans to yourself. But it's stupid and unheard of in a military or paramilitary organization to elevate a sergeant over a general. They took this man with no ability even in the field beyond what an ordinary trooper would have, no administrative knowledge whatsoever. The seasoned saw the quality officers left because they deteriorating, and what can you expect when you put a sergeant in a general's position and he's not qualified for it? So what they wound up having to do was bring somebody else back to become a de factor superintendent of the State Patrol, to administer it, because Nesbitt messed up so much. You all can vote for him. That's the way things are done, but it's not the way I operate. The "Bibble" said when a man dies, if he is righteous, let him be righteous still; if he is filthy, let him be filthy still. Nesbitt remains, to me, what he always was. The only thing today that I can give the Governor, who sits over there now, credit for is having gotten rid of Nesbitt, but he should have done it sooner. I want to say my words openly and notoriously because Nesbitt knows how I feel, others on the patrol know how I feel. I've had troopers come to me with their I guess they don't go to the rest of you all because you all don't take things seriously, but they know that I do and I've made public comments trying to upgrade the status of the patrol, not successfully. So the Governor removed the impediment and for that I thank him. Now I'm not going to stay around here to vote on these, because the real work of the Legislature is done. Had not Senator Mines' resolution...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...been here, I wouldn't be here this long. But I could not let this resolution go without me putting my mark...my remarks on the record. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator. Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Jensen.

SENATOR JENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. First of all, I do approve of the resolutions