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predict the committee...or the body will advance the bill. I will say once, and then sit down, my position on the bill, which is that I was not voting in committee out of deference to Senator Burling, who has been helpful in the last couple of years in putting together legislation that needed to be done. But, in fact, I don't support the bill. I'm going to vote no. Truth is, we don't need to do this bill. It costs a couple hundred thousand bucks and it's our job anyway. Tax policy is our job. We don't need a committee. This is what we're supposed to do. Secondly, what's the chance that somebody who comes and serves on this committee is going to say, silly me, we don't pay enough taxes? The medical groups are going to come down, they're going to say, you know what, we ought to...silly us, we ought to tax doctors more. Or the labor group, they're going to say, you know what, the middle class ought to pony up more money. Or the lower class or the blue-collar class ought to pay more money. Not going to happen. It's not going to happen. The tough tax decisions ultimately get decided here; they don't get decided by committees. I don't predict success on the outcome. I understand the desire to have it, but I think, in fact, this is our job and no one else's, and we don't need to pay somebody else 200,000 bucks to do our job. We're going to pass the bill. I get it. I'm just going to sit down and be a conservative on money.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Landis. Further discussion on the Burling amendment to the committee amendments to LB 542? Seeing no lights on, Senator Burling, I recognize you to close on AM1834.

SENATOR BURLING: Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you, Senator Landis. Some have said, you know, skeptical of whether or not this will accomplish anything. Others have said, is it already time for another study? The last study that we did was the Syracuse study in...the last comprehensive study was the Syracuse study 20 years ago. The 3-R Committee did a study in '91. Some people say that wasn't comprehensive. Other people say it's something we ought to be doing all the time. The professor in Syracuse University that did the...headed up the Syracuse study said, after the study was over, the only thing that would be better than this might be to include