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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Can you do that any time you want to?

SENATOR KREMER: I can.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Can you pray anywhere you want to?

SENATOR KREMER: I can.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: My goodness! So then when the phone rings, you really are not cutting off your ability to pray; is that true?

SENATOR KREMER: That's true.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And do you think that God understands you, even when you're by yourself or with others, but you're praying? You think God understands you, as much as He would if you were up here on the floor, with the other two or three people?

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR KREMER: Yes, I do.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So why do we have to, then, have this much contention and confusion in order to bring a religious activity onto the floor of the Legislature, where we should be concerned with legislation, not salvation? Why, since you're able to pray wherever you want to, require that it be here on the floor of this Legislature?

SENATOR KREMER: But it would not be contentious, if you would just accept what I have offered. (Laughter)

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, would it cease to be contentious if you would just stop offering it?

SENATOR KREMER: No, I would rather have it the other way.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So you'd rather have it being contentious.