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haven't compared the two, have you?

SENATOR FLOOD: I have not compared the two.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. I'm trying to compile a record. You did not draft this statute, did you?

SENATOR FLOOD: This bill, or the U.S. Code?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: This bill that we're talking about.

SENATOR FLOOD: No, I did not.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And you did not put that reference to the U.S. Code into this proposal by way of an amendment; did you?

SENATOR FLOOD: No, I did not.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And had I not asked the question, there wouldn't have been any particular reason for you to have sought out what is contained in this reference; is that true?

SENATOR FLOOD: That would be true.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So at this point, nobody on the floor really knows the full content of what we're incorporating into this bill by reference to a federal statute; is that true?

SENATOR FLOOD: I can't answer that question because it calls for speculation on my part as to what people in this body do or do not research in any given bill.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, if they don't even know what's in this proposal, you suspect that they do know what is in that statute that you, a lawyer, had to look up and still don't know everything that's in it?

SENATOR FLOOD: Well, I know that...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: You don't want to speculate, in other words. That's what I'm asking you.