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it, but somebody was not doing a good job. When those of us who care about this system, the Legislature I mean, as an institution, and who care about the process and the end result, which is legislation, when we no longer are here, you're going to get stuff like this that's going to run through, become the law, then havoc and chaos will result. And people who are not directly affected will laugh and say, well, that's just the Legislature; you know they don't know anything. But since there are mandatory provisions in this bill, there are restrictions, there are requirements imposed, if they are not well-thought-out, if they are not prudent, then the people who are going to bear them will not think it's funny at all. They will fail to see the humor. And then people will come in with a term limits bill or constitutional provision that will let senators stay one year. They think that the amount of time that a person stays determines the caliber of that individual. What do they say in this computer work? Trash in, trash out? If you get somebody with a thimble full of brains, that person never is going to produce barrels of sense. The capacity simply is not there. People cannot give what they don't have. I'm going to take the time to work over this bill, as long as the Legislature wants to give me time, but I'm not going to do it on my own. I'm going to take from you at least some of the time that perhaps you'd rather spend doing something else. Now if you want to discard this bill, you can do that, too. But I will not make a motion to bracket it, I will not make a motion to return it to committee, I will not make a motion to kill it. I'm going to let it stay out here and writhe and wiggle...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...as long as it takes to correct some of the problems that I see in it. After I have reached a certain point, I may decide to throw up my hands and say it's not worth the effort. Sometimes...well, I'll put my light on and then continue. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. (Visitors introduced.) On with discussion of FA359. Senator Stuhr.

SENATOR STUHR: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the