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bills that they have clotured. But if you are bound and determined to embark on this course which I think is unwise, you ought to at least show that you have seriousness of intent and that this study is supposed to be one undertaken in a responsible manner. I'd like to ask Senator Burling a question.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Burling, would you respond to a question?

SENATOR BURLING: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Burling, the A bill as it stands now calls for \$100,000 to do the study. Is that correct?

SENATOR BURLING: That's right.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And you know that my amendment would raise that amount to \$250,000. Is that correct?

SENATOR BURLING: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you agree with this amendment?

SENATOR BURLING: Yes, I'll support it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Burling. Members of the Legislature, this amount that I'm offering is not exorbitant. As a matter of fact, when you consider what LB 542 calls for, the involvement of various individuals who are not volunteers, \$250,000 may not be enough, but rather than put Jaguar or Rolls-Royce price tags on a bill such as this, I'm willing to go by Volkswagen. It may take a little longer, but we will get there eventually. So this amendment of mine would strike the figure \$100,000 from the A bill and substitute \$250,000. To get anybody who is competent and capable and in the highly technical area that LB 542 deals with is going to cost some money. People always say you get what you pay for. I don't say that. I say you get no more than what you pay for. Usually, you will not get as much as what you pay for. So if we start out cheap, as the current A bill would do, you should scrap the whole thing. Nothing of value or substance can be accomplished with that