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transacted. I've got to ask Senator Beutler a question, ...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Beutler,...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ... if he will respond.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Beutler, would you respond to a

question of Senator Chambers?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Sure.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Beutler, must this be done this early in the session on this specific bill?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator, there's a good chance...I mean, obviously, no one knows for sure how things will proceed this session, and certainly no one is able to predict you, Senator, and certainly you make a big difference on how things proceed. The fact of the matter is, this is one of those in-between bills, and what I mean by that is that it's not momentous enough to...for anybody to attach a priority to it. On the other hand, it's not inconsequential. It wouldn't be on a consent calendar, and it's one of those medium-sized things that in this body, unfortunately, too often is lost for a good period of time. This amendment is...I wouldn't be doing this if I wasn't terribly worried that it wouldn't get up.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And this bill is for the purpose of protecting and benefiting such investment, it says on page 2. So this constitutional amendment is related to...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...a particular public endowment, the investment of these funds in certain ways and for certain purposes. Is that generally what the bill...what this would do, or what it relates to?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator, I think that's correct. Can I go on just a bit?