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I'm different again? If it's something that has merit, I will do it, because I take seriously the job that I've voluntarily placed myself in. Nobody makes me come here. Nobody makes me work as hard as I work. I do that because it's what I believe I ought to do. And since I'm acting in accord with my belief, you all cannot change anything in me. You've got nothing you can give me, you've got nothing you can take from me. nothing I want from you. That's why you can't control me, it's why the Governor can't control me, and nobody else can. They don't have any chains on me like they got chains on you all. You...if the chains you have on you, the obligations you have undertaken which destroy your personal independence, were to be converted into literal chains, you would make more noise clanking around these halls than Marley, who was Scrooge's friend, made when he came to haunt Scrooge, had all those chains and cash boxes and ledgers hooked to him. Why, he sounded like an earthquake or a typhoon in a junkyard, he made so much noise. That would be you all. You cannot gainsay or deny anything that I'm saying, because you know it's true, and everybody in that lobby knows it's true, and these reporters know it's true also. And because much of what we do in here the public is aware of through this television, more of the public is becoming aware of it also. You don't recognize collegiality when you see it. maybe my version of collegiality that I've been trying to manifest you will not even see. Then, when there's a contrast, you'll say, I wasn't paying attention, I didn't realize what was going on, but now that it's gone, I do realize what was going You all don't have sense enough to know, when there is discussion of a bill, to try to make corrections improvements, needed changes, and an effort to just do everything possible to delay or stop a bill. But you don't have to think about it, because I tell you. I don't leave you questioning. And if I haven't made it clear, you can ask me. And I'm not going to be mad at you because you ask me a question. Now, I might sneer a little bit, be a bit satirical, and say something like, if you'd been paying attention, you'd know what I was doing. But since you don't know, and you came to the source, I will not send you away empty, for my philosophy is, ask and it shall be given you, because I know you're not going to seek, because if you were doing some seeking, you'd be finding. I think Senator Kremer has had time to think and