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with swiftness. In most athletic encounters, as the young men know, older men and some women who watch them, you lose a step, as they say, in a contest where speed or swiftness is required, so then you have to rely on skill and guile--the same with boxing or anything else. But I don't think I've reached that advanced stage yet. I probably can move as rapidly as anybody. But on this particular matter, I will be so slow, in terms of the movement of this bill, that a glacier will look like a jet plane. These insurance people and their minions are accustomed to getting their way in this state and other states. I have no respect for insurance companies. I buy insurance; I have to buy it. But that doesn't mean I respect them. They're worse than drug dealers, because they've managed to get state legislatures and the federal government to let them operate one-tenth of the thickness of a fingernail within the law. You talk about licensed to steal. The insurance companies are, and they know it. They cluster like vultures and buzzards when they see the public as the carcass they're going to strip clean of all flesh. People throughout this society have purchased insurance. Information has been coming out about the circumstances in Louisiana and other parts of the Gulf area, where Hurricane Katrina and her younger sister struck. They find out that the insurance companies grossly overestimated the amount of their losses. When they do that, they can raise the rates, and then people have tremendous amounts of trouble trying to collect what the insurance companies are supposed to pay. You pay your premiums on time, and if you happen to have a grace period, you pay it during that period or you're out of luck. But the insurance companies can drag their feet and drag their feet, because they generally control the agencies at the state level and the federal level, whose responsibility it is to regulate these insurance companies, these licensed brigands. Many times in this state, a person who served as the election commissioner, or whatever the title is, will wind up getting a job with the insurance industry when he leaves that position. The purpose of that is to establish a cozy relationship. In the old days, when young men and young women were going to try to find out if they thought they should hitch up, blend their destinies, they might have a chance to make it, they would court. They wouldn't admit that they cohabited or lived together, but they'd try to test this thing out and see just where they differ. The insurance