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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Why was it not offered on General File?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Because we hadn't had the hearing yet. I'm not sure of that. I don't think we had passed it. I better not say.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Schrock, are you willing to take down Senator Burling's bill with your amendment if that's what it comes down to?

SENATOR SCHROCK: I don't want to...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Because I'm willing to fight it until the cows come home.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Okay. If I can reach an agreement with Senator Preister, would you let go?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Preister doesn't speak for me. His name is Preister; mine is Chambers.

SENATOR SCHROCK: I understand. I understand.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Here's how...here's what will make me let it go. I have an amendment to take out any money, any disbursement from that fund to go to Ash Grove, to put them in a position to make profit from burning tires. They can burn tires now. If the fuel is so much more efficient, if it brings down pollutants, then let them go ahead and get permission to burn those tires. We don't have to pay them. And I'm going to fight this amendment. Here's what I'm looking at. If a company decides that it's going to make computer chips, let it make them. If it can't make money making computer chips, then it goes out of business. Ash Grove has said they've got all these plants all over the country where they're burning these tires. It raises the temperature high enough to create the conditions needed to make their cement product, and they sell the product to make money. They're not in business for any other purpose. We don't have to subsidize them in this manner,...