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SENATOR FRIEND: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the Legislature. Again, it's a pretty specific question that Senator Beutler asks, and I could stand up here and quickly say, as far as this language goes, that I believe that there's probably room for improvement, especially in regard to this area of law. I think Senator Schimek laid that out. I think the question that I would have, and maybe we could take this further off line, is would this be...would this particular section of law be the appropriate place to deal with the question that Senator Beutler is asking? So I think what he's raised are questions that are dealing with a problem that is macro in nature, and we're dealing with a microcosm of that problem. So the long version of that is, I don't know if this is the area where we would deal with an answer to his question. And quite frankly, what I would think is that it's not; I mean, that we'd have to hit four or five different spots. But I could be wrong about that, and I'd be happy to engage in further discussion, either now or off the record, in order to deal with what he's talking about. So with that, if Senator Beutler wanted my time, or else I would be through here, Mr. President. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Friend. Senator Beutler, did you wish to use...further discussion on the committee amendments? Senator Schimek, there are no further lights on. Senator Schimek waives closing. The question before the body is, shall committee amendments, AM2115, be adopted to LB 771? All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. We're voting on adoption of the committee amendments to LB 771. Have you all voted who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays to adopt committee amendments.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The committee amendments have been adopted. Anything further on the bill, Mr. Clerk?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Nothing further, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Back to discussion of advancement, E & R Initial. Open for discussion. There are no lights on. Senator Friend, you're recognized to close. Did you waive...Senator