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they could bring America to her knees in a matter of seconds. Just station people around the country who agree with them. Then, at the same instant, at the top of their lungs holler "boo," and they will terrify these Americans. They'll throw up their hands and holler, mercy, I give up. Such a nation of cowards! You got to carry guns to protect you against your neighbors? And it's the rural people who put up the loudest cry about needing these guns, and it's the rural people who are coming to me, not the rural people, people who live in the rural area and claim to represent rural people, who say let these big operators do what they want to do. As for somebody's comment about these people on the county board being subjected to political pressure,...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...that's their job. They ran for the job. They're supposed to deal with these issues. It's not our job as members of the Legislature to protect these politicians from dealing with politics. This is a political issue we're dealing with here, and we're dealing with it on a political basis. In a political environment inhabited by politicians, how can you talk about something not being political? That's the nature of what we do. Don't tell me this stuff about being a "statesperson." You're a politician. All of us are politicians. I'm a politician, and I never deny it. Mr. President, that's my third time speaking?

SENATOR CUDABACK: It is.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: And there are no further lights on, Senator Chambers, so I will recognize you to close on your FA488.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Mr. President, you all are not going to be through with me. You can vote against this amendment if you want to, but it's going to take you a long time to get to vote for this other amendment that follows it. I'm going to put myself to the test this morning. I'm not going to wait for you all to do it. I'm not going to wait for you to