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reappointment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Baker. You've heard the opening on the third portion of the divided first report. Open for discussion. Senator Janssen.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. Yes, I have known Dean Lux practically all my life. We used to play basketball against each other. He was a little older than I am and Senator Chambers by about two or three years. But Dean and his father had a sand and gravel company in North Bend for as long as I can remember and that's a long time. Dean has been very active in public life. He was on the fire department at North Bend for several, several years. And when they would have their banquets and so on, I was usually invited. And Dean still does a lot of things for that rural fire protection district and the North Bend Fire Department, been very, very active. And I've known Dean and his actions on the county board for the last 12 years. We didn't always agree on some of the things that the county board did, but he was a...he is a man who will listen to other people's opinions. And if you can plead your case well enough, he'll side in with you. I can't say a lot more about Mr. Lux, but he is a friend of mine and a very well-respected man in the community and I believe amongst the county board officials throughout the state, having served on that board for the last 12 years. If anyone would like to ask any questions about Mr. Lux, I would certainly be glad to answer them.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Janssen. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, in a courtroom they call this foundation. You have to give a factual basis for certain questions you're going to ask or a certain line of questioning, so I need to ask Senator Baker some questions first by way of foundation.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Baker, would you yield?

SENATOR BAKER: Yes, I would.