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CLERK: Senator Chambers would move to amend, FA542. (Legislative Journal page 936.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Chambers, to open on FA542 to LB 542.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this is an amendment that I had filed earlier. It was on the gadget, but it was filed to the wrong document. So here is the way it would be read now: on page 2, strike lines 25 through 27. And this is the language that would be stricken, it tells the commission one of its responsibilities: "Examine the impact of changes in the fundamentals of the Nebraska economy on the revenue adequacy and stability for the state and recommend improvements." That is bunglesome language that I don't think really says anything. And if it says something, it's not essential that it be a part of this bill. I'd like to ask Senator Burling a question.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Burling, would you yield?

SENATOR BURLING: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Burling, who assisted you in the drafting of this bill? Did anybody from the Revenue Department work with you?

SENATOR BURLING: Not on the drafting of the bill.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Did anybody from the Governor's Office work with you on this?

SENATOR BURLING: A little bit.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, who worked with you in selecting this language, before I question you on it? It would be on page 2.

SENATOR BURLING: Yeah, well, my staff and I, and then the Bill Drafters arranged it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. But you give language and then the Bill Drafter puts it in the bill.