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SENATOR CHAMBERS: If this bill came back to your committee, would your committee consider this language that has been added?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: I couldn't...I could not speak for the committee. I don't know. There are nine people on that committee and I don't know what they would say. We had a similar issue last year. Senator Foley came to our committee and we rejected a proposal not dissimilar to this.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So he decided to go a different way by offering a bill and then cleverly make it an amendment to the Appropriations Committee, to bypass the committee system and get a majority of the senators to do what the Appropriations Committee was not prepared to do last session.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: That's the way I see it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. And that's the way I see it, too, and that's exactly what we're dealing with. That's the disingenuousness, that is the hypocrisy, and that is what Senator Brashear was railing against.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator. Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a priority motion. Senator Brashear would ask unanimous consent to bracket LB 1060 until Wednesday, March 15.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Without objection, so ordered. Mr. Clerk, we now go to LB 1061.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 1061 is a bill by the Speaker at the request of the Governor. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 12, referred to the Appropriations Committee. The bill was advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments, Mr. President. (AM2584, Legislative Journal page 946.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Pederson, Chairman of the Appropriations Committee, you're recognized to open.