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talking about, of course. So that's all the amendment does, but I think it's the one single-most important thing you can do here to make this whole thing a more rational process. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. You've heard the opening on AM3035 offered by Senator Beutler. Open for discussion. Senator Chambers, followed by Senator Erdman.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, Senator Beutler's amendment would implement what I had been talking about earlier, but I had not looked at his amendment to realize that he had offered one. The situation as it exists now would say that this recommendation or proposal for changes would have to be made to the Governor and the Legislature by December 1. It could not take effect until April 1 of the following year if it affects one aspect of this program or July 1 of the following year if it affects a different or other aspect of the program. Senator Beutler had said the committees will be manned by certain individuals who wouldn't be here very long. He didn't mean there would not be women so I guess he should have said "will be peopled, will be personed" or some neutral term so that those on the distaff side would not be ignored. I'm sure it wasn't his intent. What he is talking about, though, is something that I deem to be important. The Legislature as an institution must have its integrity guarded jealously and zealously. I don't care who is on a committee. If I could be cloned and there be eight of me on a committee, wisdom would say don't even let that committee speak for and bind the Legislature on matters as important as this. Only by analogy would this be a delegation of the Legislature's authority to a committee. But I don't think it ought to be done. Consider the fact that while we are discussing this bill many of us do not know what is in this bill. So if there should develop some proposals for changes relative to how much a recipient will have to pay by copayments, deductibles, or whatever else, or services are going to be reduced, diminished, shifted, or whatever, that should not be done without the Legislature having something to say about it. If the Legislature reviews these proposals and concludes that they are all right, they go ahead and take effect. If the Legislature decides the contrary, we are not presented with a set of