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he's probably more emotionally invested than I am. He's been working on this a long time; he's been getting beat up for a long time. This amendment responds to one of the major complaints that's going on out there that I've heard. requirement for preapproval will delay projects. This is a complaint, that that requirement for preapproval that I'm creating here will delay projects and add major amounts of paperwork for every new pipeline. With AM2708, those approvals become automatic. I think MUD should embrace this amendment. think MUD ought to be pulling you guys out there and talking to you about how this is a good idea. I started off this whole conversation today at 3:00 by saying, I don't know if anybody Well, you know what? I think they likes this amendment. I think MUD should like this, and if I sound like I'm a should. little exercised, it is because I am. I don't understand why they wouldn't approve this. They're doing this stuff now, so I think they ought to be calling you guys out there and saying, yeah, not a bad idea. And you know what? On the flip side of this, do you know what I think Aquila and Kinder Morgan ought to be doing with this--they're not going to--but here's what I They ought to be saying, this is innocuous. We're the ones that came up with the idea originally ....

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR FRIEND: ...six years ago, seven years ago. We thought this would solve our problem, but what you're doing here, Friend, it's innocuous. It doesn't help us; what's in it for us? You know what I think they ought to be saying? This does not change the landscape that much, but you know what? Darn it, it makes it a little bit better. It doesn't change it that much, but it makes it a little bit better. If everybody out there was being as straightforward and as intellectually honest as they could be, I think they'd jump on board with this. But I think Dave Landis is a powerful guy, he's been here a long time, and he's got this going the way he wants it. Here's what I'd say about the reconsider: I'm willing to get another vote here, quickly. I'm willing to have another vote on this, but this is a ploy. This is a way to slow things down. I don't mind that we move on and start talking about other amendments, but I think this is important. So I'm going to go ahead and say, yeah,...