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SENATOR CHAMBERS: See, I'm patient. Other people thought there was no hope, but I knew Senator Friend was somewhere.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Friend, would you yield?

SENATOR FRIEND: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Friend, are you aware of any limitations under the law that would prevent Aquila from opening a Disneyland-type recreational or entertainment area? (Laughter)

SENATOR FRIEND: No, I'm not aware of anything in the law that would prevent them from doing that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'm not, either, and I'm not going to ask Senator Landis any questions. That's all I will ask you, because I'm not doing anything other than taking time, and he is dead serious in what he's doing. And I'm dead serious in what I'm doing. I think he's wasting the Legislature's time, and I am not wasting the Legislature's time. I'm doing a public service, as I view public service, so let me tell you what my amendment would do, as far as the committee amendment. There is a provision in the committee amendment which will go to page 8 of the bill, and there is language on line 19 on page 8 which says, "deems just and reasonable." The committee amendment would strike those words and substitute "determines to be in the public interest." What is being discussed here? I will get to that, brothers and sisters. But what my amendment would do, in the committee amendment, after the word "determines" I would insert the two words "after investigation." Then it would say, the commission "determines after investigation to be in the public interest." Now I would like to ask Senator Friend another question or two, if he is willing to respond.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Friend, would you respond?

SENATOR FRIEND: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Friend, briefly for the record, since