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SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you. Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature, I agree to the Friend amendment. Senator Friend, if I could ask you a question on the mike.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator.

SENATOR LANDIS: I'm going to recite what I think is our understanding...

SENATOR FRIEND: Please.

SENATOR LANDIS: ...and you can tell me whether or not I'm wrong. We adopt this amendment to the committee amendments, we adopt the committee amendments, we move the bill. The bill...the amendment, the Friend amendment, has two ideas. One, it has flipped LB 78, and it has what I think you've identified as relatively innocuous language for implementation. And our understanding is this. We adopt the Friend amendment in its current form and move the bill. If the new language, which is beyond flipping LB 78, is problematical to either one of us, we'll take it off on Select File, because what we're agreeing to is flipping LB 78. Is that fair?

SENATOR FRIEND: Yes, and the important point that you just made here is that we are adding new language in different sections, so any new language. The language that I added in that previous amendment and I'm adding in this amendment...and, by the way, it's been brought to my attention Section 18, there are questions in regard to Section 18, which wasn't included in that original amendment. So any new language that could affect the straight, as you call it, the flipping of LB 78, any unintended consequences of those provisions or those languages, those pieces of language, we're going to have to deal with. Because our understanding is all we're doing is correcting current statutes, to the best of our ability, and then flipping what we would call LB 78 on its head so that Aquila and MUD and everybody else would have the automatic process of going to the PSC outside of the extraterritorial jurisdiction is in place. Correct? Or is that too...

SENATOR LANDIS: Let me try it one more time, because I think