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opportunity. I do not shoot blanks. I do not make empty threats. And that's why people will negotiate with me because if I declare my position, that's the position I'm going to take and I won't be frightened away from it if I'm the only one taking it.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I got a note from a woman...what did you say?

SENATOR CUDABACK: I said time, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I was just getting ready to tell you an anecdote, but you'd rather not hear right now? Would you rather hear it now?

SENATOR CUDABACK: I'm sorry, but we...we can't suspend the rules.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Howard.

SENATOR HOWARD: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. Something that Senator Bourne said in his earlier speech kind of rang a bell with me and I checked my notes, and I had received this message from a constituent and I want to share this with you. I want to respectfully inform you that once the state of Nebraska legalizes segregation, there will be a national effort to keep the Final Four and all the College World Series 2007 out of a state that would sanction this. development will never be an issue in Nebraska because any company that has minority employees will refuse to locate in a state that legalizes segregation. And I look at the bills that we have coming up. We have bills regarding taxpayer dollars going to fund a more intimate ball park. I have deep concerns about that. I don't know the ramifications and how deeply this will go with LB 1024. But I can tell you this has stirred some concerns in my mind regarding how we are going to be using dollars that hardworking individuals pay in to this state and expect us and, yes, trust us to spend wisely. I wanted to let