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going to talk until the amendment comes down. So Senator Mines, if you want some time back, I can give it to you on your time or mine. Basically, Senator Mines has laid out what has happened and what this says, that if 20 percent or more of the project cost is public funds, then public access shall have to be provided. I think that's fair. Did we all get what we wanted here? Compromising, nobody ever gets what they want. So hopefully all sides will be content with this. This won't be on the agenda next year. I think it's reasonable. There's some debate how much the Bennington project cost. Either way, it would probably be under 20 percent. Senator Mines, I would acknowledge that the Bennington project seems kind of exclusive, it seems to leave the public out of the main lake. That isn't...that's kind of repulsive to me. I know it is. But I'm also a realist. Project probably wouldn't have been built otherwise. And so unfortunately sometimes the little guy doesn't get everything they want. But I hope there's enough public projects in the Omaha area that the common guy will have a place to recreate to. I understand the fishing lake above Bennington is public access, and there's quite a few people that take advantage of that. So we're waiting for an amendment to come down. I want to thank Senator Landis for his offer, thank Senator Bourne for his understanding. I wasn't proud of what I did this afternoon, but I did it because I felt fairly strong about the issue. I did not want to bring down LB 1113 and hopefully the amendment will come down pretty quick so that we can move on. Senator Langemeier, you made a motion to me. Did you want to talk a little bit, too? Sure?

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Senator Flood, would you like to talk a little bit? I'd appreciate that.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Flood.

SENATOR FLOOD: Thank you, Mr. President. I appreciate Senator Mines and Senator Schrock working together to find an amendment for the reason that the Nebraska State Patrol crime lab is probably one of our greatest assets in fighting crime statewide. In fact, prosecutors across the state tonight will thank you for