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Mr. Hergert. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Johnson. Senator Friend, followed by Senator Fischer.

SENATOR FRIEND: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the Legislature. I've already established, or at least in my mind, pointed out various reasons why I think we have a flawed system that we're trying to deal with, and we have to deal with it. So that's fine. We will deal with it. I'm trying to stay open-minded here, too, but I think we have to ask ourselves a quick question, and I'm going to yield some time to Senator Bourne here, because whether we like it or not, a legal remedy has already been distributed under these circumstances that we're dealing with here. Doesn't that automatically make it a political issue? In some ways it does, in my mind. Because this issue has been dealt with already from a legal standpoint, doesn't it, in a lot of ways, make it a political issue now? I think that that's a very relevant rhetorical question. With that, I would yield the remainder of my time to Senator Bourne. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Bourne.

SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you, Mr. President and members. Thank you, Senator Friend. I handed out to you the standard that is clear that must be met in order for an impeachment to achieve conviction. I would ask the members who haven't yet spoken here today to push your light on, get up, and ask Senator Chambers or Senator Beutler to lay out their case as to what conduct Mr. Hergert did that satisfies the test that our Supreme Court will use to determine whether or not to convict on this impeachment. It hasn't been done yet today. I would ask anyone to get up and say, take me through the test, Senator Chambers or Senator Beutler; take me through the test and tell me how you are going to achieve a conviction on the impeachment. Because if you don't ultimately get a conviction, why are we doing this? In my mind, it is political. I don't know if this is just a perfect storm that's taken on a life of its own. I don't know if there's agendas. I don't know what...frankly, I don't know what is going on, why this...why we are where we are. I have