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SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. Thank you, Senator Langemeier. I'm not...this will be my last time to speak. Even though my light is on, if somebody else needs my time, then they can have that if I get through this. I'm going to modulate my approach as much as possible. The first thing I want to do, because it's the most important, is to the extent that particularly Senator Beutler--I've talked with Senator Chambers in the meantime--was offended, I'm sorry. I do not...I guess I feel like I need to state it. To say that something is political, in my judgment, is not to say something bad about it but it is to characterize it. Political is not illegal, unethical, or immoral. But it is political and I don't think it's wrong to call something political and I believe this is political. I believe that there are politics in the water fights. I think there are politics in education. I think there are politics in pro-life, pro-choice, and gun issues and the like. I was not trying to say that any...I was speaking about what seniority and effectiveness contribute to your ability to function within the system. That was my point. I did not mean to offend and I'm sorry if I did. Now let me return to the comments about process. If this were going to be an impeachment on the campaign finance violations which were acknowledged and are still impeachable, if they are impeachable, I think that would be fine. But when I talked about the stacking, hiring more lawyers and so on, I'm trying to sensitize you to think about what we're doing here. One of the charges is obstructing a government operation. That's because there was a State Patrol investigation by the Attorney General, that in and of itself resulted in no charges, which then was handed over, 700 pages, and carefully examined to see if anybody could find anything that they on their own concluded without adducing testimony that there was something wrong with. Do we really want to make ourselves and officeholders subject to that sort of thing in the event the Attorney General investigates one of us and concludes to do nothing? But then the record should be separately subsequently examined to determine if we're impeachable even if we're not prosecutable? That illustrates where I'm trying to cause us to think. The other one, I'm telling you I am very, very bothered by the stacking technique that endeavors to use the oath of office. Because if we are going to turn...you may