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that's when they would run to the barber shop and I'd go up to the school with them. That's what our children have gone through. You all have no conception whatsoever of what has happened in OPS. And that's why I say Senator Bourne might say his district embraces north Omaha, well, no, not the part of north Omaha I'm talking about. And he's not familiar with...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...the problems in north Omaha or he couldn't say the kind of things that he says. But for today, I'm not going to get in you all's debate. I'm going to let you talk and talk and talk. Because those who support the bill know we are not going to return it, we're not going to change any part of it and thereby doom the bill. And I would advise my colleagues who support the bill, as one who has engaged in extensive debate, you know I can carry it on all day until midnight by myself. But these other people can't and that's not even their intent. So give them the opportunity to express their views on the record. And before I sit down, I want to say, there is no intent to create segregation. This bill is not designed to draw boundaries based on racial lines. And if the ones who oppose the bill want to try to create a false legislative history, I want it clear from the introducer of that amendment that their record is false. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. So we're all on the same page here, Senator Howard's motion to return LB 1024 to Select File for a specific amendment. Senator Synowiecki, followed by Senator Friend.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature. I rise in my capacity as a member of the Appropriations Committee and I had passed out the latest fiscal note relative to this bill. You know, as a member of the Appropriations Committee, it's a rather meticulous process when we formulate budgets. It's a huge responsibility, quite frankly. It's one of the most powerful committees in the Legislature, and we take that charge and we take that duty responsibly. It's a meticulous process. The Appropriations Committee will go through our entire state budget, literally