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government employees. I will tell you that up-front. You've probably all seen right through me and seen that. But I can tell you that has pretty much disappeared. Occasionally, I will still have that. But the government workers, the people in this building, other government agencies, they have bent over backwards to help me and my staff when we'd have a legislative issue or a constituent issue. And since being Chair of the Business and Labor Committee, I've gotten to know the people in the Department of Labor and the Work Comp Court very, very well, and I cannot say enough good about them. So I thank them very, very much. And just in closing, I would like to say, even though some of you may not believe this, I am pretty stubborn, but all of you, all of you, having had the opportunity to work and serve with you, you have made me a better person leaving here today. So thank you. (Applause)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Doug Cunningham. The class of 1998 will now come forward. We have Senator Tom Baker and all members will come forward in that class. Senator Tom Baker, Senator Pat Bourne, Senator Dennis Byars, Senator Matt Connealy, Senator Bob Kremer, Senator Marian Price, Senator Pam Redfield, Senator Adrian Smith who is not present, Senator Nancy Thompson.

SENATOR BOURNE: Are we all here? Well, I guess...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Just one second, Senator Bourne. We'll wait for Nancy to be on stage.

SENATOR BOURNE: Jim Cudaback...

SENATOR CUDABACK: We can't forget Nancy.

SENATOR THOMPSON: I'm not a (inaudible).

SENATOR CUDABACK: You are now. Senator Pat Bourne.

SENATOR BOURNE: All right. Thank you, Senator Cudaback. I drew the short straw and was elected to make a few comments about my colleagues. No words that I can express will articulate how much I have learned from each of them and how much... I knew this was going to happen, and how much respect