

staff, Mr. Breslow? And I think, if I am correct, and some of the Appropriations members might correct me, but less than half of the auditors that do the public audits are CPAs. That's his staff. There is a \$500 bonus when you get to be a CPA. Now I asked the Board of Public Accountancy, I said, you know if I ask you to do an audit of, say, my phone records, and I tell you how to do that audit, how will you respond? And they said, well, if you tell me how to do that audit and it is unethical, we won't do it, or we will do your audit and we will have so many footnotes on your sheet that the audit will be totally useless. You will get the two things that I was after, which is confidentiality and public disclosure with 579 as it exists, 579 as it exists. Now the easy thing to do, and I think Senator Moore indicated it, the easy thing to do was to adopt the Landis amendment because that supposedly takes the fight away, but I don't believe that it will take the fight away, folks. It will not solve the problem. This problem is not going to be solved by the Landis amendment. Have you ever seen an animal that is hungry, a wild animal that is hungry, and you throw them a scrap of meat, do they eat that meat and then go on about their merry way? No, they don't. There is an insatiable desire for more meat. And that may be what we have here, frankly. I am not willing to sacrifice principle, which I think 579 has done and will do, to feed the insatiable animal some more meat. And I understand that sometimes new members, especially, who are not as immune to some of these concerns, will read the articles in the newspapers and will look at those things and say, boys, back...

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR HOHENSTEIN: ...home they want us to do this. I am telling you if that is the reason you do this, fine, but I won't do it for that basis. I want to read just a quote to you. I thank Senator Landis, frankly, for the quote. This was something that I cut out of a promotional that he had for a play I think that he was involved in. This is a quote from Senator George Norris, and I am going to take the last minute of my time to read it because it stands for what I want to stand for today. He said, "I would rather go down to my political grave with a clear conscience than ride in a chariot of victory as a stool pigeon, the slave, the servant, or the vassal of any man, whether he be the owner and manager of the legislative menagerie or the ruler of a great nation. I would rather lie in a silent grave remembered by both friends and enemies as one who remained