

don't get too...if he could use that in a story. That's why this filibuster has had to occur is simply because we can't...we have no leverage, we have no bargaining position. We're simply, as you can tell from the 44 votes or whatever that buoyed Senator Will, we can't get to that issue because this train is moving, but if we could legitimately get to the issue somehow, and that's what I'm trying to figure a way to get to that without giving up the position so that at least those in the lobby would know, hey, that's a concern inside and I've been hearing that from several of you, we do it, and I intend to offer an amendment somehow, somehow make it germane to the Landis amendment that would bring that issue up because that is an issue to 93 percent of the workers out there. They are giving up a huge amount and labor would not be as concerned about that because I believe that is a negotiable item for organized labor. And that is why it is not as big an issue to organized labor and if you look at who signed off on it, we haven't had anybody representing unrepresented labor, but that's where the bulk of the people are. I think it is an imperative issue and it's the type thing that should be debated. Unfortunately, we haven't been able to get to it, but...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR LINDSAY: ...since there is only one minute left on Senator Abboud's time, I would simply point out, rather than saying anything, I've been involved on the other side of these types of activities where I've been accused of stifling debate and all sorts of other stuff by filing these types of motions. I would venture to say that the sponsor of this bill may have even said...and maybe he wouldn't have said it, I shouldn't say that, but at least those on his side of those other issues have accused me of stifling debate when these types of motions have been filed, and they convinced me last time that it is probably not an inappropriate procedure, so I can't vote for this simply out of pure conscience.

SPEAKER BAACK: Wow. Thank you, Senator Lindsay. Before I go to the next speaker, I would like to introduce some guests of Senator Cudaback. We have 28 fourth and fifth graders from Amherst Elementary in Amherst, Nebraska and their teacher, and they are in the south balcony. Would you folks please stand and be welcomed by the Legislature. Thank you for being with us. Senator Withem.