

employees. The people who work around this Legislature, the people who malingering in this building and other buildings are, nevertheless, called employees and they get benefits and a lot of them, and a lot of us perhaps, don't work as hard as these children work, when you consider their age and development, on their paper routes. I'm not so concerned about the impact on the system, but I'd like to ask Senator Landis a question. Senator Landis, if there were no financial impact as a result of this amendment, would it bother you as much? Is that as...is that what primarily concerns you?

SENATOR LANDIS: Oh, Senator Chambers, understand that there may be conditions under which I would vote for this amendment as something that had gone through the process and was before me and the committee and I was hearing it as a hearing and it was not a barnacle on this measure that had been done without public hearing. I might vote for this idea under (inaudible).

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, so it's not the idea itself that you're opposed to (inaudible).

SENATOR LANDIS: I'm not objecting to the idea. I think it's a little unripe as a controversy, but I certainly feel unstudied on the merits of the approach at this level. It's possible. I think you make a good, you know, I certainly have a sentimental response here that's supportive. I'd just as soon have it be done on somebody else's bill on their own time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Landis, I had a sentimental response to your constituents on Commonwealth when you masterfully gutted an A bill...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ..and put in it the requirements to pay off the Commonwealth depositors, so this is not new. I have a long memory. 'Cause I've been around a long time and I've probably forgotten a lot, but because I knew so much I remember a lot also. Senator Landis, in my modesty I'll admit what I don't know would fill a book, but what I do know would fill several libraries. But, in reality, I don't look at this amendment quite like Senator Landis does as a barnacle on this bill. I look at it as something which will give it the kind of credibility that would make it possible for me to vote affirmatively for the bill. This has such weight and merit in