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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Sure, but I don't want to leave it on General File cause in fact I've got another one coming up now.

SENATOR GOODRICH: OK.

PRESIDENT: Senator Rumery.

SENATOR RUMERY: Senator Chambers, would you yield to another question or two? Are there any federal laws that govern this type of procedure at all?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Rumery, I'm not sure, I'm doubtful, but I'm not certain.

SENATOR RUMERY: You mean this is one area where the federal government hasn't stepped in?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well maybe it's one where it's not lucrative enough yet.

SENATOR RUMERY: One other thing. Are there any neighboring states, or any states that you know of that have this type of regulation?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Rumery, I have not checked with other states. I'm sure, however, that all states have some provisions regulating pawnbrokers like they do con men, bondsmen, et. al, as you say.

SENATOR RUMERY: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Frank Lewis.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Mr. Chairman, I just have to satisfy my intellectual curiosity. I'd like to ask Senator Chambers. I'll spell that and hand it to you later, Senator Duis. My question would be, Senator Chambers, as you were describing how the pawnbroker who could decide who was a saxophone player by sight, I'd like for you to dwell on that for just a minute, whether you didn't know he was a piccolo or a flute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Nichol, in a lot of cases you use an analogy or an example, sometimes the things that you're comparing are dissimilar in 999 ways or respects and similar only in 1. So this is one of those examples which may not hold up in every single case that could involve somebody dropping something at a pawn dealers shop. But the point I'm trying to get across is that there are people who obviously would not be in a position to own the item that they're trying to pawn. That's the point that I was trying to make. All that other, I didn't even understand the question.