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attached. Madam Clerk, LB 559A.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 559A on Final Reading.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Madam Clerk. All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 559A pass? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record please, Madam Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote read, Legislative Journal page 1674.) The vote is 49 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: LB 559A passes. (Visitors introduced.) Madam Clerk, LB 613.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, with respect to LB 613, I do have a motion from Senator Foley. Senator Foley would move to return the bill to Select File for a specific amendment, that being to strike the enacting clause. (FA1706, Legislative Journal page 1674.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Foley, you're recognized to open on your motion.

SENATOR FOLEY: Thank you, Mr. President, members. And Senator Bourne, Senator Mossey, have no fear. This is just an opportunity for me to talk a little bit, a couple of minutes, then I'm going to pull the motion. I won't take this to a vote. I do want to put on the record a public apology to Senator Mossey. About a week or so ago, Senator Mossey offered an amendment to Senator Bourne's bill. At the time that he offered that, I was upset about a prior action, a prior ruling of the Chair, and I vented some of my anger at Senator Mossey. That was not fair of me. My language with Senator Mossey was unduly harsh. So with 49 of us present, I just want to say to Senator Mossey, I apologize for that, and I hope you'll accept that apology. Having said that, I do have some continuing concerns about the language of this bill, now in its final form. Because a couple of days ago, Senator Mossey did succeed in adding quite a bit of new language to the bill, and that new language of course has not been subject to three rounds of debate, and all