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would fit within their category, and their enjoyment and wisdom, and this could have probably been done in a better manner, maybe with a resolution, but I move for the bill as amended to be advanced to E & R for Initial.

PRESIDENT: Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: Mr. President, I wonder if Senator Kennedy would yield to a question?

SENATOR KENNEDY: Yes, certainly.

SENATOR BARNETT: Senator Kennedy, I see in here that a Mr. Richard Racke opposed the bill for the specific reason that he thought that, maybe, this would be used for political purposes at a later date. Can you explain what his reasoning was. I can't see anything in the bill that would give him this feeling and I'm wondering what he really meant.

SENATOR KENNEDY: I might say that he came opposing the bill. It seemed like it took quite a little nerve for a gentleman in his position to do that, and I think he was trying to be careful in what he told us. But I think, probably, part of it is that they could change the programming and do the very thing that we are asking for now, and I think this is what he was trying to tell us.

SENATOR BARNETT: Then the intent is not to do exactly what he was trying to make us aware of, then.

SENATOR KENNEDY: Well, that is a little hard to say, but he was very careful in his testimony, but...

SENATOR BARNETT: I know the man, personally, and I am real concerned with what his concern was and you as Chairman, I thought, could probably ease my mind because I know he does not, I don't believe, speak up unless there is a sincere effort on his part.

SENATOR KENNEDY: Well, and I think, probably truly, that he was testifying on a political end bringing that to our attention, but we are doing that now and this was...

SENATOR BARNETT: Through the 10:30 program, Peyton (inaudible) Place, or whatever you want..

SENATOR KENNEDY: I think...I am sure this. He was trying to bring to our attention, probably, in both manners, but certainly in that manner to the degree that, Yes, you know, we don't want to force or push to have more of this done, and so I agree with you on that thought.

SENATOR BARNETT: OK. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Snyder.

SENATOR SNYDER: Mr. President, members of the body, Senator Kennedy, I wonder if you would mind answering a couple of questions from me.

SENATOR KENNEDY: No, I'll certainly try.

SENATOR SNYDER: I notice the bill was introduced by your Committee. I was wondering where the idea came from, whether it was an individual who came to the Committee or whether this came about from study committee over the last year, or just how the bill came to be introduced?

SENATOR KENNEDY: I think I would like to say that at the time it was brought to my attention, former Senator Fern Orme asked whether it had been proposed to my Committee and I said no, and she had understood that it was, and then she asked me if we would introduce it and I said, well, would it be a Resolution or a bill and she didn't know and she would