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I have consistently opposed aggregation ever since I've been in the Legislature. In fact, and Senator Baack is looking so intently, I don't know if he's looking at me or Senator Ashford using the telephone, but the only kind of "gation" that I hate more than aggregation is segregation. None of my friends have been fortunate enough to be in a position to write the kind of bad checks that we're talking about to result in aggregation until very recently because a lot of my friends couldn't get checking accounts. When we talk about embezzlement, I don't know if I've got a friend in a position to embezzle anything over a period of time to be aggregated, but on the chance that he or she might, I hate aggregation for them. But, in reality, Senator Kristensen, my objection to aggregation is based on policy or philosophical grounds. I just don't like that concept and, for that reason, I will vote against this bill on the floor as I voted against it in committee. Had I been in committee the day that the bill was considered, it could not have gotten on consent calendar because there would have been...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...a nay vote. But since there have been attempts to mitigate the bill as it originally was drafted and came to the floor, I don't think it is as obnoxious now as it was before. But when we're dealing with obnoxiousness as the basis of comparison, it might can be analogized to the aroma presented by one of our little friends that we sometimes see on the highway who gets run over by a car and emits quite an aroma. If you say it's slightly less than what it was 20 minutes ago, you're not really saying that there is much difference. So although this bill is somewhat less aromatic than it was when it first came to the floor, there still is a stench in my nostrils and I will have to vote against the bill. But I do think, in fairness to those who have worked on it, it is less bad than it was when it first came before us.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Mr. Clerk, an amendment to the amendment.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Lindsay would move to amend his amendment. (Read the Lindsay amendment as found on page 840 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Lindsay.