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Michael:

I may not be able to make it to the meeting this afternoon. We've got a ballot measure committee meeting we've got to do later today. I just have three comments I would chip in for your consideration:

1. I do not think we should just fold the tent on the exemptions because we've gotten two or three letters from groups that are protective of their particular exemptions. Those types of objections are predictable and these first few are probably only the tip of the ice berg. But I think trying to bring some sense of organization and clarity to the exemptions is a worthwhile endeavor.

2. Bringing organization and clarity to the exemptions does not have to occur all at once in a single session. It took a long time for the legislature to make this mess, and it won't get cleaned up overnight. I am comfortable taking a measured approach by tackling one area of exemptions in the first session, learning lessons from that experience, and then trying to apply those lessons in future sessions. I think the subgroup is headed down this more measured path, and I think that is smart.

3. I wonder if we would be better off agreeing on some general principles for organizing the exemptions and then asking Legislative Counsel to draft a bill based on those principles. I think we are getting a little over our skis when we try to draft particular language for a bill. I think we as a task force should agree on a list of "points of principle" that we can agree on as recommendations and then let Legislative Counsel draft a bill based on those points. Folks can then go and fight later about the picayune details of the language later, but if the task force can generate a set of agreed upon principles, then that will help advance the conversation for the legislature.

Those are my three cents.

Take care,
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