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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Raikes. Members, if I could have your attention, it appears we're getting a number of conversations going on in addition to the speakers. If we could take those off the floor, out of consideration to your colleagues. Further discussion on the Maxwell amendment? Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, Senator Maxwell, you're doing a yeoman job, a yeoman-like job. And I'm glad to see you withstanding everything that's happened around here. I can just see the Senator sitting here with bated breath, hanging on our every word, can't you? I bet you're nervous, there's so much attention being paid to what we're talking about. That does give a person kind of butterflies in the stomach, but I think you'll get over it. Just keep holding firm like you are now. Members of the Legislature, will Senator Maxwell's amendment be passed? Will it be added to the budget bill? Well, there are two schools of thought on that. One school said yes; the other one says no. Senator Maxwell has enough in his own family's personal wealth to put that money into a program. I'd like to ask him a question.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Maxwell.

SENATOR MAXWELL: (Laugh) It must be some other Maxwell family.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Maxwell,...

SENATOR MAXWELL: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...is Maxwell House a world famous coffee brand, or at least nationally famous?

SENATOR MAXWELL: It is.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you think the ones who are respons...who own that have some money?

SENATOR MAXWELL: I'm sure they do.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Quite a bit of money.