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the Beutler amendment, and even then, I am probably going to oppose LB 245 for exactly that reason.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. Chairman, just one comment, I think we have got clear off of the amendment that we are talking about and I only would like to answer Senator Stoney who criticized me a bit ago. I was only talking about the two million dollars that the industry is trying to raise and I certainly am not trying to wire anybody out of their right to vote, but I think when it comes to the two million dollars if you have contributed and had a part in it, you do have a right to express yourself. Thank you.

SENATOR CLERK: Senator Beutler, closing on your fifth amendment.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Fourth amendment, Mr. Speaker.

SENATOR CLARK: I have got the fifth. All right, we will give you one more then.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I feel a little bit like Johnny. Johnny's mother woke him up in the morning and shook him and shook him and said, "Johnny, Johnny, it is time to go to school", and Johnny said, "I am not going to school this morning", and rolled back over and she said, "Johnny, it is time to go to school", and he rolled over and said, "I'm not going to school today and there are two reasons why. None of the students like me and none of the teachers like me." And he rolled back over and she rolled him back over again and she said, "Johnny, you are going to school, and you are going to school for two reasons, because you are thirty-six years old and you are the principal of the school". I am thirty-six years old and I have a responsibility to the people of the twenty-eighth district. They happen to be urban but I don't think any of them feel antirural or antiagriculture. In fact, many, many of them come directly from the rural areas. We are all concerned about agriculture. We are all concerned about the long term stability of agriculture. We all will sink or swim with agriculture. The question is whether we spend money wisely and the question is whether we are spending the money on the right agricultural projects. There are water projects by the dozens that are going unconstructed because there simply is not enough money to go around. Do we spend money on a vet college when we could be spending money on that, both agricultural projects? There are some very real questions here that has nothing to do with urban