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various other, carries on other activities that makes it possible for that organism to live, then you can get blood out of a turnip. You can get turnip blood so it depends on how precise we are in our terminology as to whether what we say is accurate or not. This is a turnip that we're dealing with and there is blood in this turnip in the mind of the Governor, the turnip being these poor women. But the blood he is going to squeeze out of them with LB 20 is every drop that they have, and that is not appropriate. They won't even nick the finger of ConAgra and that group, won't even nick their finger. But for this group everything is to be drained and squeezed from them. I don't believe that the state's economic condition is that dire. I do believe that other means can be found to make up for the relatively small amount of money that would go into modifying...

SPEAKER BAACK PRESIDING

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...LB 20. And I do think that after all of the discussion and the debate, some people say filibuster, which has occurred on this bill there might be a willingness on the part of some people now to modify it. And a mitigating of the harm that this bill would do is a worthwhile goal to achieve. But until that point is reached and we know where we are, then I guess we proceed as we have been up to this point. Mr. Chairman, how much time do I have?

SPEAKER BAACK: Twenty seconds.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, I'll donate that back.

SPEAKER BAACK: Ten seconds. Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Moore, you're next.

SENATOR MOORE: Mr. Speaker and members, just a moment to further illuminate what Senator Chambers said when he talks about total elimination of what these ladies can receive. Obviously, it's been well documented that this payment is part of a total package given to them by the government and what would be untouched would be the medical care which I think is a great concern to all of us, including myself. What would be left, of course, would be food stamps that these people qualify for as well as food stuffs they qualify under the WIC program.