

Senator Bernard-Stevens, but the rural contingency has evaporated. However, I hope that there are enough urbanites who will see the value of this amendment. Well, Senator Dierks, you're a Renaissance man, I don't limit you to rural. All that this amendment says is that in no case will these companies be given these services for less than the cost of supplying them by our socialistic power suppliers. We don't have socialized medicine in Nebraska. Senator Brashear, I'd like to ask you a question.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Senator Brashear.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Good morning, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Good morning, Senator Brashear. It's nice to renew your acquaintance.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Thank you, sir.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I made a statement and I want to see if you agree with me. We do not have socialized medicine in Nebraska. Would you agree?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: That is correct to the best of my understanding after four hours sleep or whatever it was.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do we have socialized public power?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: No, we just have public power.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And you don't think of that as socialized.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Of course not, it's owned by all the people.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well what does socialism say? There is no private ownership, it's owned by the people so I thank you. Thank you, Senator Brashear. But here was the question I really wanted to ask you. This is a serious question. Did you hear the amendment that I'm offering? Here's what the amendment says, that while, and then I want to get your thought on this and this is a serious question. While they're negotiating for a lower rate, these companies, in no case can that rate be less than the cost of supplying the services that they're trying to receive. Can you support that amendment?