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amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. We are discussing AM1515, the Wehrbein amendment to LB 730, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature and Senator Schimek, Senator Schimek, I voted for that measly \$25,000 you wanted for the Volunteer Service Commission. I'm glad to see old big spender squire back there asking us for 20 G's for a study to tell us what we already know, but I'm going to vote for it because there may be something of value hidden away in the information that can emerge from a study. But I feel that part of my responsibility in this Legislature, as, what do you all call him, the dunce? What do you call the person who has been longer than anybody else? The du...oh, the dean. That sounds better than dunce. Okay. It's my job sometimes to pull things together so that we have a context within which we operate, and I bet those who got slow-footed, pigeon-toed and box-ankled at the thought of \$25,000 for the Volunteer Service Commission are going to have steel in their spine this afternoon, young Senator Smith, and we will easily punch the green button on this. You will punch that green button as easily as I will punch it, but it was even easier for me to punch it, if such a thing is possible, for Senator Schimek's very, very modest amendment. I just want to call everybody's attention to that and I don't want you to vote against this amendment or this bill simply because you were so tight-fisted, stingy, hardhearted, unforgiving and uncaring the other day. There is the possibility of salvation for everybody. So, in that spirit, I'm going to suggest that we do vote for this bill. I hope that in giving people what they say they want that they don't really get the reality of what it is they say that they want. I really enjoyed the hearing that we had on this bill. I'm on the Ag Committee and I've been there a great long time. In fact, I may have been on the Ag Committee longer than anybody else, but I'm not sure of that, and I've learned a lot since I've been on that committee. There are people from the ag sector, as it's called, who will visit the Legislature for various hearings, and they've gone away with a much more positive attitude toward me than what they had before they came. That probably is based largely on the fact that I see eye to eye