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situation, they guide those people in a direction they want them to go. And anybody on the outside will say, why will they do that when it's not helping them? Just like they ask the question, why will a woman remain in an abusive situation?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. We are discussing the reconsider motion taken on FA280. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President. Going back to that issue of the abusive, the woman staying in the abusive situation, and using my favorite topic of the Irish immigrants. Some of them stayed in Ireland, but over 1 million left. They said stay in starve, or leave and maybe have a chance, and they left. Some made it to America, many died at sea, many died after they landed in this country or in Canada because they contracted diseases either before they disembarked, while they were at sea, or in crowded conditions they lived in at these boarding houses or flop houses after they got off the boat. But hundreds would die during some of these trips over here. What would make those stay in Ireland who stayed? People have differing reasons. I can't answer those. Just like I cannot answer with certitude as to why a woman remains in an abusive situation. I've heard things said and what is said sounds logical. She has no skills, she doesn't want to leave her children there, she needs a place where there is at least physical security, not security from beating but a place to lay her head at night, her bruised and battered head, in some situations, and something to eat, if her broken teeth allow her to eat without too much pain. So people on the outside look at that situation and cannot fathom why it takes place. And they say, if it were me, it would be different. But the fact is it is not them. And in their own life they are dealing with situations which outsiders will look at and say, why will that situation be allowed to prevail? It's one thing to look at and study human beings and how they behave. It's another thing to learn from that observation, to act on it and implement programs that realistically address the problems confronting people. That does not happen when you're dealing with most politicians. At the national level you have George Bush and Steve Forbes talking about taxes, which nobody is interested in. And Steve Forbes is as flat as the tax he's talking about. I don't know