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I've even done this, of a shift in having to come up with revenue for the state from the rural areas to the urban areas. I realize that's simplistic, but at the state of information that is available that's the position I had to take. Senator Coordsen, what I'm going to try to do, in light of what you're doing with your amendment, is open my mind so that I will listen to what is presented in a report without having any predisposition. Now you and I both know, as men of the world, elderly men of the world, that no matter how hard we try to wean ourselves away from a given position there still is going to be some leaning one way or the other, so I don't tell you that I can get rid of that. But I will be willing to listen, I will be willing to discuss it with you and, since we don't have to make a decision on these issues that exist in the green copy, I'll be able to do it in a much more relaxed manner. And I'm sure your response, as always, will be relaxed, thorough, and as persuasive as you can make them. And that's all that I have to say on this bill, but I am going to support the committee amendment and then the bill.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Further debate, Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Pass me over.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the Legislature. I, too, rise in support of Senator Coordsen's priority bill. I think that the issue that he touches has been something that everybody in my district has had concerns with and possibly will come with this approach to an answer to the problems that we do have, and I would urge your support of the committee amendments and the support of the bill when we get to that. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Dierks. Senator Vrtiska, on the committee amendments.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. Senator Coordsen, a question.