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about how high the wages are where he comes from, so naturally he doesn't have to care about those people who are being left behind and cannot make it, because he doesn't have to see them. They are not his constituency. And the same for practically everybody on this floor, but when their issue comes up, it's different. Something for their city, something for ethanol, something for farmers, something for producers, something for corn growers, then everybody is supposed to become concerned. What are price supports, Senator Redfield? That's where these sponging, mooching farmers are given money from the government based on the taxes all of us pay, and then they stand on this floor and speak against a modest increase in the minimum wage and they're getting their checks. We have people on this floor who are getting thousands of dollars in government payoffs because they run farms, and who stands against that? Why, (inaudible) people embarrassed to even talk about it will talk about the poor squandering their money, but what about these people who make a decent amount of money, have property and still take government payouts and handouts? Where are the conservatives when it comes to that? You all ought to be ashamed of yourselves. You need to experience some poverty, and you ought to stop having those hypocritical prayers every morning. You pray to Jesus, and you know what he said? If you don't do it to the least of these, my brethren, you haven't done it to me. We're talking about the least, and you all don't care, but I'd wager you somebody will be up there mouthing those hypocritical prayers tomorrow morning and there will be people standing on this floor with their eyes downcast as though those prayers mean something, as though religion means something to them. This is the kind of issue that your religion ought to call something human forth out of you, and you ought to help the least of those, your brothers and sisters, but you don't care, because they don't have an organized constituency so they can be thrown aside. But you let that hallway out there get full of the suits when we start talking about one of these hospital bills, and watch how you jump up then like roaches hopping up out of the floor because somebody put some fire underneath them. Oh, you'll be very responsive and receptive then, because you relate to them, you get things from them, you fear them. But the poor...