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off the lobbyists to give you enough energy to come back here and speak against the interests of the poor. The reason people don't have any sympathy for those who are hungry is because they're never hungry. The hungriest most politicians will get is the time between meals provided by lobbyists, or the last lobbyist meal and when they get home or go to the restaurant. They don't know what hunger is. They don't know what it means to go to bed hungry and not know, when you wake up in the morning, if you're going to have any food the next day. And some people want to say that doesn't happen in America. That campaign in Iraq, and Senator Schimek mentioned how she was appalled when she saw the amount of wealth sunk, by Saddam Hussein, into those palaces when there were so many poor people...

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...in Iraq, and I share her feeling, but I see a President who fares sumptuously every day and lives in a house that is sumptuous, but there are poor people and their children who go to bed hungry in this country. There are old people who have no healthcare in this country. So after they get through liberating Iraq, come to America and liberate these poor Americans. Liberate these sick old people who have no money for drugs. Let's do some liberating, but let's do it right here at home where it belongs. You all will wrap yourselves in flags and sing "God Bless America," but you won't lift a finger to help liberate the people here who need it the most. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I spent some time going over the annual inflation records for Nebraska since 1978 and comparing it to the federal minimum wage changes in response to the assertion that somehow increasing the minimum wage is going to make inflation go up. Well, if you look on the chart and compare, there is absolutely no correlation between inflation and increasing the federal minimum wage, absolutely none. In fact, if there's a correlation, you could argue it goes the other way. So what do we know? We know