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almost the only one that's done that way, and...to the extent that it is, I'm sure. So I'll listen, with that. I...matter of fact, I'm not going to vote for Senator Chambers' amendment. But I just want to kind of inform the body that there's reasons for this. The other trade-off was to Omaha arena. It was a political decision. And lo and behold, this is a political body, and so that's why some of these decisions are made. Maybe they don't follow, in the light of day, the logic, but certainly in these times of compression and quick decisions, these are how some of them were made. And I actually think that we should keep those commitments into the future, if they...once they bear scrutiny. And if they bear scrutiny, I think they should continue. So I'll let you make your own decision on that. But this was not a sleight of the hand issue. Others may feel differently, and they can speak to themselves...for themselves on the issue. But to me, the cent was a reasonable thing to do at that time.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Other lights that are on, please indicate if you wish to address this amendment. Seeing no one wishing to address it, Senator Chambers, there are no further lights on. You're recognized to close on your amendment, FA1330, to FA1326.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, adopt this amendment. Anything that can be shown to be a higher priority than the financial crisis confronting the state can be put back in. But in the meantime, I think it would be good to send a message that we are serious. My amendments are unique. They don't raise a tax. They don't cut a program that benefits the public directly. So this is what some people call a win-win situation. But regardless of how it is characterized, this discussion and the discussion that will be had on the other two amendments that I'm going to offer will set a backdrop against which other considerations are going to be discussed. This is not the last time these items will be before us this session. If people pay a little bit of attention, they will know what it is we're talking about when they see these things surface again. And I don't mean just in the context of Senator Quandahl's proposed amendment. As we proceed, you're going to see that some ideas that might have seemed crackbrained or crackpot when