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thank Senator Chambers for bringing this amendment to us today. To your relief, I'm going to say very, very little about the amendment right now. I'm going to just sit back and listen to the conversation. I tried to explain to you yesterday the difficulty that we would have in grocery stores across Nebraska to administer the snack tax. I know I didn't convince all of you, but we did convince a few of you. And I still offer to you, anyone that wants to go back and look at the props in the senators lounge, I'd be glad to explain it to you. And thank you again, Senator Chambers, for introducing the amendment. And with that, I'll turn my time over to Senator Chambers.

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Chambers, you have a little over four minutes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Cunningham. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Members of the Legislature, you all want to play hardball down the line. Senator Brashear said earlier that if there has to be a collision, and you could have the collision today or put it off, then put it off. And maybe that's the way some of you feel. But I'm having a lot of trouble looking at the Appropriations bill without a jaundiced eye. And there may be several of them. Maybe there's something with a deficit appropriation. I don't even know how many bills they're going to bring out here. But I'm saying I'm going to spend time on all of them. And I'm going to push us right to the deadline, which is where everybody wants to be, unless I get something out of it. Yeah, I'm being very blunt. I want something. I want to take this tax off candy and soft drinks. Will I get it? Maybe not here. But I'll get my revenge. And that's where I am now. I'm talking about what people who are poor consume. I don't care about Senator Brashear's package now. I don't care about the Appropriations bill. You're going to tell me, Ernie, forget that there are people out there who can't make it from one end of the month to the other, so that we can get this political package and balance the budget, and those people are going to have to find someplace to get something to eat somehow, but I'm not worried about that. Well, I am. And to finish my little story, when this rich man looked up and asked, could Lazarus dip his...the tip of his finger into some water and bring and touch his parched tongue, he was met with stony