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knows the system. He works closely with the inmates. He knows those people and he knows that...I know and I trust that he wouldn't do anything that would be detrimental to them without a lot of thought. And what he does I'm sure would be for the best. If somebody takes five bucks out of their pocket and gives it to somebody for lunch because he's trying to help them, that's in that system,...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time.

SENATOR COMBS: ...I know that he has respect for them. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Combs. Senator Chambers, followed by Senator Don Pederson.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, the Governor has taken out after the Legislature, which he can do. Last session, my rural colleagues prevailed on me to vote, against my better judgment, to take some language out of the statute relative to rural redevelopment. Now here I am from the city, and I fought against that. Then some of the rural people for whom I have respect explained to me that if that language were taken out of the statute, then requests could be made for some federal grants that would provide the funding to do what that program was to do. The words were in the statute, but the money was not forthcoming. I still felt there was a value to having that language. But I don't live in the rural areas, and people involved did think that there was a source of money. And to me, that was a convincing argument, so I didn't resist anymore. Then what to my wondering eyes should appear but my rural colleagues in a state of depression like I had never seen. And I couldn't understand this. Because I hadn't even been holding forth on the floor of the Legislature. Then they told me something I couldn't believe, except that I trust them. A group had put together a proposal to get some money from the federal government, then the Governor put together a proposal. Since two of them went there, both of them came back. Now, that's as much of the story as I'm going to tell you. You have to do some inquiring to get the rest of it. But I was very deeply offended when I heard that. It was wrong for the