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was to say when you are talking about LB 775 type assistance, the rural areas are constituted differently, so let that money go to retail establishments in the rural areas. You can set some parameters to keep these huge outfits, like Wal-Mart, from getting in and gobbling up that money. Let there be some stores, some restaurants, some barbershops, some beauty shops, the types of services that the rural community would have need of and would support. I offered that amendment on more than one occasion and was shot down on every occasion. My rural colleagues don't come up with those notions. I want to do things that will work, that will help the people who need the help. If you tell me you're thirsty and I give you an empty cup, what have I done that benefits you? Nothing. But I can give the appearance to those who are not close enough to see the cup is empty the impression that I offered you something that you needed to sustain yourself and you rejected it. Well, they didn't look in the cup like you did and saw nothing was there. So this time, instead of being given nothing, period, you're given nothing in a cup. And that can be more disheartening, more insulting than if it had been the old standby, nothing, period. I gain nothing whatsoever from this bill. Nobody out there is going to vote for me. People out there feel there should be term limits to get rid of me. And maybe this is why, because I stick my nose where I have no business sticking it. Well, now we come to the moment of truth. The amendment is before us, the vote is to be taken. If Senator Tyson...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...doesn't like \$300,000, if this amendment is adopted, he can amend that amount to whatever amount he thinks it should be. What I am deeply concerned about is maintaining the existence of the Rural Development Commission. If you vote no, you have killed it. You can see that the first vote to take it out of statute was a mistake. When Senator Tyson talked about being thick-skinned, that can apply to politicians. But when you have ordinary citizens out there scrambling in the way they did to put that grant together and be slapped in the face by the Governor, we cannot say they should be prepared to have their feelings hurt and just get over it. They may get over it; they may not. Thank you, Mr. President.