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voting on these issues. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Pedersen. Senator Schrock.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Just doing a little simple math, why, we grow about a billion bushel of corn in this state every year. If we enhance the price of corn 10 cents a bushel, that's \$100 million a year more in farmers' pockets. That also means less federal subsidies, by the way, for farmers. I did say I'd give Senator Beutler some more time. Would you like some more time, Senator Beutler?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Schrock, thank you very much. You know, just looking at things in historic terms and looking at what's going on in the world and the nation, I'm certainly no expert, but it seems to me that when I hear about all of Latin America pressuring us, with respect to world trade agreements, to let their agricultural products in and to stop our subsidies for agriculture, and when I read that the common market has let into the common market a whole...a whole bunch more farming countries and that they, too, are going to be cutting down on their subsidies and pressuring us to cut down our subsidies, it seems to me even more important that we...that we try to maintain the price of corn and other grain crops in whatever way we can because there may be pressure on the subsidies in the United States. And to the extent that we can build more of these alcohol plants and figure out efficient uses for alcohol and other products that will keep the prices for the producers up, we ought to be doing that because I think we're going to run into more and more trouble on direct subsidies. So that's part of the reason that I'm so much in favor of ethanol plants, if we can do them on any sort of reasonable basis. With regard, Senator Kremer, let me...well, Senator Kremer is not here. Senator Schrock, let me go back and forth with you because I'm sure that you probably have a handle on this too. With regard to the qualifying production, it says production at a minimum rate of 100,000 dollars (sic) annually. And then the new language says the minimum rate must be established for a period