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so on are highly trained people. It's kind of like an electrician. If you're going to do electrical work, you have to be a trained electrician. And those jobs are good paying jobs. So if you can keep those dollars in this state, this is...isn't this what we've all been working for, trying to keep local dollars in our economy, and not letting them get out of the state, or even, in some cases, out of the country? If we can keep the dollars that are generated in this state and at least turn them from five to seven times, it's going to add a lot to the General Fund. Not only General Fund, but it's going to add dollars to the local communities. If you have a sales tax in your town, they're going to help that local town also. So to me, Senator Bourne's amendment is the right way to go. If we have this in place, those people that are going to be bidding, or the general contractors who are going to be bidding, will be looking, they'll be calling the unions to find out how many people are available for those jobs. If it is in the western part of the state, beautiful country, I don't know who wouldn't want to go out there and work. It's nice country. People are friendly, they have stores and shops in some of these smaller communities that would be a...it would be a godsend to them, and probably keep some of them from filing bankruptcy. So hey, put your thinking hat on and support the Bourne amendment, as I am going to. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Janssen. Senator Baker, on the Bourne amendment. Senator Baker. Thank you.

SENATOR BAKER: Yes.

SENATOR CUDABACK: You may speak...you're recognized to speak.

SENATOR BAKER: Oh, I'm sorry.

SENATOR CUDABACK: You had your light on.

SENATOR BAKER: I'm sorry. I was visiting there, off-mike, obviously. I want to clarify a couple of issues. I've had some people ask me questions about the checkoff. Senator Bourne's amendment is exactly like my amendment, other than it does not strike his language dealing with labor. This checkoff is going