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when I asked him where it came from, he, at the time, didn't have it. And I asked, was it provided by the industry? Anything the industry says I view with a jaundiced eye. If there were an unbiased, and by that I meant disinterested, an entity that has nothing to gain that produced that figure as a result of objective study, then I could accept it. But if the ethanol industry says it, I look at that as so much PR and so much puffing and falsehood as I see in any advertisements offered by a person trying to sell a product. But if what he said is true, then one of the arguments that I made no longer obtains. But one that I made still does and always will, you cannot produce enough ethanol in this country to have any significant impact on America's reliance on foreign oil.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: You can't produce enough ethanol to have any impact? I don't believe that's true.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, that's all right. You can believe that if you want to. It just indicates you have not studied the situation.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: And you studied that?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: And you can in fact say that...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Ethanol doesn't come out of the ground. Ethanol is a result of a manufacturing process. Crude oil comes out of the ground. Mother Nature and Father Time combined their interests to produce this substance.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: So would we do better supporting our farmers in Nebraska who spend money when they make money or are we better off to import that oil? Which is better for the state of Nebraska?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Any proposals I will offer to improve the condition of our impoverished rural brothers and sisters is shot down. Now when they were talking about giving away money to these big commercial operations, I was the one who tried and