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and say somebody else has such a hold on me that I cannot speak, and his theme song, (singing) you really got a hold on me. And he'd be shaking, just like my voice. I was trying to make it shake and don't you all look all upset and offended. You all ought to start taking offense like I do but you won't. You'll go around here muttering and whispering under your breath and talking out in the hallway, and the man needs to hear it on the floor. I didn't tell him to take the job. He can't answer a question about Wal-Mart. I saw an article where he did plenty of talking about Wal-Mart, admitted he's a lobbyist. If he can talk outside the Chamber, he's trying to pull a "Condominium" Rice. "Ol' Condominium" said, I'll talk on every television program in the world but I will not talk before the commission because this, I have a job and I cannot talk. Well, you see she is doing a lot of yakety-yakking now, and you all ought to watch her Thursday if you want to see a dense woman who has been given credit for being a genius because she served as an Aunt Jemima for the administration in the same way Colin Powell serves as a Tom. They come out whenever the administration's rear end gets in a wringer and then they push them out in the front to take the heat and try to make everything all right. Well, we're having a demonstration of a "Condominium" Rice here this afternoon, and maybe you all don't mind. Maybe you all got one of them jobs, too, where you can't speak during debate. I am flabbergasted. I am stunned. I am amazed, and to make it biblical, I am astonished, a-s-t-o-n-i-e-d. That's in the "Bible." I am even surprised, but nobody else is. Why talk about...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...all these things related to morality and right and wrong when that is not what is afoot on the floor today. Who has got the power? That's all that it is. But, again, I don't have any opinion about how you all argue back and forth among yourselves, and I'm curious to see what the outcome is going to be because, frankly, I don't know. I have an idea, but I just had to comment on that aspect of it. And I'm not going to look at Senator Cunningham when I say this, but I would advise anybody on this floor if they made a statement like that to correct it for the record because that doesn't look right.