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individuals. But to have a number of dentists all in the North Platte area treating individuals, again, that are underserved, is a tremendous asset to this state and I hope that we can allow this to happen. Also, it brings a comradery among adjoining states, and even some that will travel even further than that, and include maybe perhaps Nebraska in part of their vacation plans. I think this is a win-win situation. It is a bill that I think needs to be advanced and would encourage the body to do so. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Jensen. Mr. Clerk, motion on the desk?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to amend the bill. (FA5, Legislative Journal pages 408-409.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Chambers, to open on FA5.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I want to make it clear at the outset that I'm not opposed to providing medical, dental, psychological, psychiatric care to whomever needs it, but especially to the poor who have no access to these services. But I'm not in favor of just anything being dumped on the poor because we are poor. I am poor. I have been poor all of my life. My friends are poor. Other members of my family have made...experienced some upward mobility in an economic sense, so they are not poor, but I remain virtually impoverished, not that any of that is said for sympathy, nor am I looking for handouts. I wear all the things of this world loosely. There is nothing I possess which, if deprived of, would lessen me in any degree. I do not like the idea of people saying, as an example of what I'm talking about, that the poor are hungry, they have nothing to eat, so the scraps from my table will be better for them than their starving. I do believe in the concept of human dignity. I do believe in the concept of human decency. And if people who feel that they are more fortunate than others have even a spark of human decency, they will respect the human dignity of every human being, no matter how impoverished, no matter what that person's circumstances. The fact that questions are asked about a proposal that comes before the Legislature does not mean that obstacles and barriers