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continue discussions with Senator Wehrbein, Senator Kremer, Senator Stuhr, and whoever else may have a heavy interest in the bill. But I am not in such an accommodating mood and frame of mind that I will support \$1 million for a program like this. I'm not committing myself to \$1 million. If all you want to do is keep the program alive so you have a vehicle, I'll support that, if that's what the rural people want. But I don't think that would be a wise thing to do when you have enough forces, if you use them correctly, to get something in the way of dollars put into this bill. You're not going to get \$1 million. You can forget that. If you leave it at \$1 million, I don't even have any more work to do. I can just sit back and ride with the tide and go with the flow. But if something is going to be attempted in this area, there should be some money, and that would be like earnest money, not E-r-n-e-s-t, but e-a-r-n-e-s-t, meaning that this shows that you are acting in good faith. So, Mr. President, I'm going to pull that motion.

SENATOR CUDABACK: It is withdrawn. We're back to discussion of AM0569, which is an amendment to the committee amendments to LB 71. Anybody wishing to speak to AM0569? Seeing no lights on, Senator Kremer, you're recognized to close on AM0569.

SENATOR KREMER: Thank you, Senator Cudaback and members of the body. I also want to withdraw AM0569. And I agree that the \$1 million there is just intent. It does not bind the next Legislature. And evidence for that is that with LB 1348 that was passed three years ago, I believe, the third year there was not any money available. It was not appropriated, so that there was no money for it, even though the program was to extend for three years at that time. We felt at one time that the date was necessary in there. That's so any amount of money that was appropriated by the Legislature would be appropriated by that date, but it seems like that that's not necessary either. What's really good to know is that Senator Chambers won't have anything to do for the rest of the session, he can just lay back, so we can really look forward to that. So with that, I will withdraw the amendment, because I believe it...we still have the A bill coming up that would determine how much.

SENATOR CUDABACK: It is withdrawn. We're back to discussing