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Arnie team, stated? Livestock producers are having so many things pushed down on them, and he doesn't like that. But he is not like me in applying the principle across the board. He doesn't mind pushing down on the livestock producers a program that he likes, which is to take their money against their will. He doesn't mind that. But...because that would benefit his activities by promoting beef. When it's something that may create an inconvenience, then he doesn't like the producers to have things pushed down on them. I'm going to fight against that checkoff. But I would advise my colleagues to mark well what they say, because I remember things that were said during previous debates, and I spend a lot of time analyzing, evaluating my colleagues. I think more of you all than you realize. I think more about you than you probably realize. Any wise person who's going to have to function in an environment is wise to understand the other inhabitants of that environment, their practices, their attitudes, what will upset them, what will calm them, what will frighten them, so that when it serves your purpose to bring out one reaction rather than another, you have an idea of which buttons to push. Since human beings, however, are not automatons, and they are not entirely predictable, what causes a human being to behave in one way today may result in a reaction the opposite of that tomorrow. Human beings are variable. Human beings are fickle. But there are some things which ought not to change, even when human beings are the ones manipulating them. One of those is a valued principle underscored in the U.S. Constitution and the Nebraska Constitution: No person shall be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law. Simply because something is written as a law does not mean that it is due process. Due process means providing a person his or her due, that to which he or she is entitled, that to which he or she has a right, a claim. People's money should not be taken...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...against their will, when that taking is not in the form of a tax or a governmental fee. When it's taken for the purpose of benefiting private groups, it's wrong. This bill, however, before us, is reasonable. It is measured. And in the same way that Senator Stuhr could not tell me with