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should be a frank acknowledgement by the Legislature that what is being done with this bill, or any other bill, is going to have no significant impact on the availability or usage of meth. The number of people using it will not be diminished to any appreciable degree. The impact on individuals using it will not be changed at all. The number of sellers is not going to be impacted at all. So what I am thinking about doing is drafting what are called findings. The Legislature hereby finds and declares; then put something to the effect that the scourge of methamphetamine is recognized; the use of certain substances found in legal products is acknowledged; the Legislature, by attempting to restrict the availability of these legal products, hopes that some impact will be made on the manufacture within the state of methamphetamine; however, the Legislature recognizes that upward of 90 percent of the methamphetamine in this state for use and sale comes from outside of the state; the Legislature further finds and declares that what is being done with this legislation is all that the Legislature feels is available to be done; and conclude that even though the recognition of the minimal impact...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...on the overall problem of methamphetamine use and sale, nevertheless, the Legislature enacts the following, and then put all this stuff in. But I wouldn't agree with everything that you've got here. But there should be some disclaimer, so that people will realize that the Legislature recognizes the limited impact. I mention again, in the few seconds I have, as skewed and ineffective as federal farm programs are in alleviating the problems faced within individual states, there is practically nothing a state legislature can do to address that problem or the farm crisis that may exist within such state. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Further discussion on the first component of the divided committee amendments. Senator Flood.

SENATOR FLOOD: Thank you, Mr. President. Now, Senator Chambers has really made a point of highlighting the felony provisions of