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you know, for our own sake also, you know, we are going to lock them up. We looked at...a manager and I looked at a section behind the counter that we're going to be able to put these products behind a locked door. Well, it's not foolproof. If someone really wanted to come in and clean you out, they'd probably break in and bust that glass door and take what you had, and I think that's the situation you're going to have. You're going to have...because it takes more than what you can stuff in your purse to make a batch of methamphetamine. And if we lock them up...so we are going to have to limit the number of products, different products that we have. So I just want you to be aware of some of the situations that are going to happen with this amendment. We need to do this. You know, I guess we do, and I'm willing to work with the body on getting some type of legislation that is reasonable and that the merchants in this state can adapt to and make it easier for our customers. We will look at a few things in the next round of debate which I think needs to be done. With that, I am listening to the debate as carefully and as objectively as I can. I know it's a problem, but I do believe that Senator Chambers, some of the comments he's making about what's happening with people coming in from out of state and setting up these labs is probably true.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR JANSSEN: I mean if you're going to need a larger amount of this stuff to make your meth labs, you know, it's not going to be from purchasing it. It's going to be by theft. Thank you for your time.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Janssen. Senator Chambers. This will be your third time, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, Mr. President. And I'm going to keep battering this bill, saying basically the same thing over and over like water which is a continual dropping. I use the example of the Colorado River and the Grand Canyon as an example of the methodology that has to be used around this place. Few substances are harder than stone, few softer than water. But the constant, continuous flow of water cut the Grand Canyon. That's what they say. Now I'm not aware of anybody having been