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line drawn. And if that line is drawn--I will paraphrase something Senator Redfield said the other day--enough is enough. But she was talking about a \$15 million raiding of the rainy day fund, which, by the way, sprang a leak because of that. How has Cabela's been very smart? They have sized up legislatures and the members who make them up. They decided that here is a soft, easy mark. And a multinational, from what I've heard, corporation is able to sucker these legislatures into giving them money, incentives, tax breaks that they don't even need. The poor have always been so lacking in self-esteem that they will stampede to help the rich, who not only don't need them, but do not respect them. When legislators fall all over themselves praising business, just throwing money at these businesses--which, by the way, does not come out of their pocket, but comes out of the pockets of the citizens--they feel somehow that that ingratiates them with these big businesses. The only use they have of and for the Legislature is to use the Legislature. This article contains a statement by a person in Michigan, where this was done, who says that the Michigan politicians are still trying to clean their hands of what they did six years ago. Legislators get stampeded into doing things. This need not be done. These last ten days of the session do not have to be days of infamy. Cabela's is not going to go out of business. They do not need any assistance from this state in the form of a plundering of the revenue stream that people always use...the term, that is. So Cabela's will get some pinhead county board to put together a bonding authority. They'll issue these bonds. And Cabela's will be there like a ravenous hippopotamus, mouth wide open at the bottom of this funnel. The bonds will be dropped into the funnel. Cabela's will consume those bonds, its own bonds. And then money that the taxpayers would pay into the treasury by way of sales tax will be consumed by Cabela's to retire its own bonds, which, because they were issued by this public authority, will be tax-free as far as the interest. And the interest will be coming to Cabela's, on the bonds, from sales tax money. So they make money coming and going, and they don't need it. They're laughing now, and I don't blame them. That old trickster-huckster said, there's a sucker born every minute, and if you find one, bump his head. And that's what's being done to the Legislature. You've done the damage that business told you