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any money last year. Now, Tilden has, in the past, here and there. But the city of Omaha last year received \$416,000. I would be interested in knowing how much the city of Omaha received in federal funding last year to aid and assist their efforts in affordable housing. Senator Chambers, would you yield to a question?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Chambers, would you respond?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No. Yes, I will. (Laugh)

SENATOR FLOOD: Senator Chambers, you and I had a brief discussion about per capita issues regarding Omaha. I'm interested in knowing what the city of Omaha received in federal funds to aid their affordable housing efforts from 1998 to 2004.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: You'd have to ask somebody other than me for that figure.

SENATOR FLOOD: Is it true that the city of Omaha receives federal funding to aid their affordable housing efforts?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I believe that's probably true, yes.

SENATOR FLOOD: Do they receive in excess of \$1 million to aid their...?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I can't tell you, but that might be so. I just don't have the figures. So if you said \$500,000, I couldn't give you the figure.

SENATOR FLOOD: Now, is it also true, Senator Chambers, that the city of Omaha would qualify as an entitlement area, as identified by the federal government, eligible for federal funds?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: What do you mean by that?

SENATOR FLOOD: A community over the size of 50,000 that qualifies for federal funding.