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SENATOR CHAMBERS: So would you straighten it out for me, please? How would that be?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Okay, there's a nationwide cap on the amount of mercury being emitted.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'm talking about Nebraska. That's what our law deals with--Nebraska. So is it correct for Nebraska, or incorrect for Nebraska? I don't want to be dealt a fast shuffle.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Senator Chambers, we don't think so, but...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, I want to know what you know. If this bill is going to result in a greater amount of mercury emissions than is the case now,...

SENATOR CUDABACK: You may continue.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...I don't see where it's a good bill. Thank you, Mr. President. Here's what I'm getting at, and if you can, follow me. Each emitter is allowed to emit a certain amount of mercury; is that true or false?

SENATOR SCHROCK: That is true, and if I might add, that level is coming down.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Don't get ahead of me,...

SENATOR SCHROCK: All right.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...because it's not coming down this year.

SENATOR SCHROCK: I understand that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: It's not coming down next year. And if you get a different administration or these polluters are able to prevail on the current administration, they may never come down, these emissions. This could be a fast shuffle to get states to back off and allow these heavy polluters to continue doing so, with the promise that down the road, the promise to the public