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sit out four years and come back. Okay, wrong on both accounts, but I tried. And, you know, you talked a little bit about the USDA and we had some exporters that, from my standpoint, did a big no-no. They shipped some products they shouldn't have shipped. And I want you to know I cringed, and I'll bet every beef producer in this state just cringed. Why did that happen? And I think Secretary of Agriculture Johanns cringed and is trying to get to the bottom of it. It always amazed me that Japan won't take our beef, but they are one of the largest importers of cigarettes. I never could understand that. don't see an outcry from the Japanese Prime Minister to stop (sic) banning cigarettes, and yet we know that cigarettes has killed a lot of citizens in that country, as they have in this country. So beef is a very safe product. I understand this country. So beef is a very safe product. I understand their concerns. I understand what you said. We messed up, and I hope that they will be importing beef again fairly soon. So I'm willing to work with you. I am going to oppose this amendment and I ask the body to expose it...to oppose it; not expose it, oppose it. Senator Chambers, if I have any time left, I would give you a chance to respond. Being as you're still standing, I'll still give you a chance to respond, if you want to. You can have the rest of my time. This may be my last time, but you can have the rest of my time.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Chambers, you have about 2 minutes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Schrock. Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Schrock, you said you're willing to compromise. May I ask you a question or two, which you may not want to answer?

SENATOR SCHROCK: I'll answer.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Schrock.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: One of the things that I argued when Omaha came down here and persuaded the Legislature, over my strenuous opposition, to agree to that convention bill, I had said it would be the death knell as far as any significant economic development in north Omaha, which is true. They've continued to develop downtown, Creighton. And whereas Creighton is a