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discussion and involvement by the public went into this decision, and part, I think, of the selling point of all of it was that the funds would be available for other public health And I think it was a very good decision on the part of all the people who were involved in making the decision. Having said that, I support being able to do this here in Lincoln. have sat on Government Committee for I think, what, 12 years perhaps, too long probably, perhaps, and I've also sat on Urban Affairs Committee for a very long time, and one of the things that I've learned from being on those committees--and it didn't take me 12 years to learn it, Senator Chambers, I want to assure you that I'm a little faster study than that -- is that we continually in this Legislature craft legislation that's for one size city or one size...one class of city or village, and then we have to come back in five years or six years and introduce another bill to let somebody else come into the circle. that's bad enough, in some respects, that we do it that way, because it always costs money to have to introduce a new bill, and a lot of time and energy on the part of the Legislature. But doing this for a constitutional amendment is perhaps even a less desirable kind of thing to do, because we have to go back before the people again if at some point, for instance, the metropolitan class city decided that it wanted to be in this, if indeed we did adopt your amendment. So it's a lot more serious than a bill that we might pass that's just favorable to one class of city. I...you know, I think it's an important thing to do, and I would like to give you the rest of my time. I hope it's enough for you to use. I think you're also following with five minutes of your own time. So perhaps you could elaborate on some of the answers that you were giving to Senator Bourne, if you choose to do so.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Chambers, about 1, 30.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you, Senator Schimek. Members of the Legislature, when I first drafted this amendment, it was to take Omaha out of this amendment, this proposed constitutional amendment. We had some discussion of it on General File, so I made my reasoning clear at that time. Subsequent to that, I became aware, through reading the newspaper, that Senator Landis offered a bill to bail out the