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one way or the other for sure, because...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, here's how it goes.

SENATOR BURLING: ...this is a hypothetical.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: They say, we'll give you \$35 an hour. You say, well, I want \$37 an hour. They say, we'll give you \$36 an hour. And that's how you negotiate. Would you then accept the \$36?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR BURLING: Maybe. Probably.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Did you wish for your light...you may continue.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President. What I'm gathering from you, Senator Burling, is that you don't favor my amendment. Is that true?

SENATOR BURLING: That's true.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now, if you'll answer this question, I will leave you alone on this particular amendment. Here's how you negotiate. You know that you would get \$25 a hour out in the world. You sit down with the person who represents the state, who wants to hire somebody to do the work that you do, and that person tells you, Mr. Burling, we will give you \$30...see, you couldn't get that job as a senator because you'd be making so much more than we make now. So they'd say, Mr. Burling, we will give you \$35 an hour. So you tell that person, I want \$40 an hour. And that person says, I won't give you \$40, but I'll give you more than the \$35. I will give you \$37.50 an hour. Would you accept that?

SENATOR BURLING: No.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Why not?