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is totally unnecessary if what you're really trying to arrive at is greater availability. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Brown and Senator Don Pederson. Senator Johnson.

SENATOR JOHNSON: Mr. President, members of the body, I remember a few years back when I first stood up to address the body, I asked the question, why do we need this bill? It's kind of interesting that now a couple years later we can still ask that question. It is true that the bill was advanced to the floor, to General File, without dissenting vote. However, there were two of us that did not vote for it, as well, because we didn't feel that at the time that it was presented in the committee that a case could be made that this was a definite improvement. What we wondered at the time, at least what I wondered at the time, was this; is, as has been mentioned here today, there is a certain amount of money that is available, and when that is the case, what we are really doing is redistributing the money that is available and that's all we're doing. So it isn't a case where the people in York and Seward are necessarily going to be better served. Who knows who is going to be better served? But if we take the money away from the groups that have it now, what happens to them? And will the people that they are taking care of be better served? Chances are they will not be better served. So remember, you might make somebody better, but chances are you're also going to make a group that is less well served. So I guess in summary, after hearing Senator Don Pederson speak, I guess I wonder if this isn't the wrong bill at the wrong time. I came here today to hear about the appropriations process and where we should be going with our appropriations, and I really consider this amendment a form of getting us off of that subject, and I don't think that we have the time to do it. I don't think there was any question that this was going to make for a very prolonged discussion, and now is not the time to be doing it. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Johnson. Further discussion, the motion to reconsider? Senator Schimek, there are no further lights on. You're recognized to close on your motion to reconsider.