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others might be interested in that little chart. You know, next year, those of us on the Appropriations Committee have become acutely aware that major federal cuts are coming down, and there is going to be some harsh dealing with respect to these programs that you see outlined on this second page here. And our ability to react to that is limited, and so you can expect some horrendous battles on this floor next year, with regard to the whole array of social programs and what we're going to do, and how we're going to deal with the federal cutbacks. Well, we're not going to be able to help the working poor by picking up the federal programs, which means the working poor are going to be in a worse position, to the extent that they need to rely upon these programs, and so this is a...the timing could not be better to give the working poor the opportunity to help themselves more. And you know, this chart just shows you that there are plenty of people who may well be helped by an increase in the minimum wage, and Senator Redfield, as you know, I'm willing to consider a teenage rate. We've talked about that before. There's some pros and cons to that, as you're well aware. But you know, one of the factors you have to balance in there, too, is what's happening to young people who are trying to exercise their one door, their one means of mobility to higher living and the upper class, and that's education. And more and more, the debt burden of young people coming out of schools is just unbelievable, and to the extent that you force them to work for small, unfair wages, too, you're exacerbating the problem with them. And in fact, if you look at some of the studies, what is indicated is that the younger people as a whole, even 20, 25, up in that area, are now making less than their parents. I mean, this is...their standard of living is not as high as their parents'...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...was, at that point in time. And this is real scary stuff, folks, because this country may be changing, and how we react to things affects how it will change or it won't change. And I think that what you're dealing with today is one aspect of that whole scene. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schimek and Senator