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at all. So instead of realizing they had been cheated out of 98 percent of what they should have had, they're grateful that they were allowed to keep 2 percent, which the brigand could have taken but for his mercy. So the Legislature at other times on other occasions will talk to students, will talk to Rotarians, will talk on the campaign trail about the great things that can be done if you participate in government, how you can actually cast votes that affect the lives of the citizens of this state. You can punch a button and watch the lights come on on that voting board in front of the room. And then, when rubber reaches the road, to use an old cliché, where rubber reaches the road and the time comes...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...when something genuinely can be done to help the people, not by cutting something out of whole cloth, but by reaffirming a decision that had been made after deliberative discussion, sometimes contentious discussion, let it be taken away without a whimper being uttered. And that is the Nebraska Legislature. That might be one of the reasons that legislatures are the butt of so many jokes. We do not insist on, we do not demand the respect we ought to get as the law-making body which controls the purse strings, which exercises oversight, which establishes policy for the state by the way we expend money. So if we didn't mean those things that were vetoed out by the Governor, then his vetoes ought to stand. Then it will show that we acted without thought, without consideration, whimsically...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...and it took daddy to correct the children. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. (Visitors introduced.) Senator Pederson, there are no other lights on, you're recognized to close on your motion.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, I would appreciate your voting affirmatively to