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discussions that for Senator Raikes,...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR BOURNE: ...in order to pass this bill the increased funding for my rural colleagues is a "got to have." And it just is clear as day to me that the price of a cloture vote is \$2 million. With that, I'd yield my time to Senator Thompson.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Thompson.

SENATOR THOMPSON: Thank you. And I have my light on. I don't know if I'll be able to say all I'd like to say at this point. But I really object to this amendment. I'm probably one of the few people who is still making up her mind here tonight. I supported the Chambers-Raikes amendment because I really felt some good points were made about governance, and my heart was with that discussion. And earlier this morning I agreed to keep the bill moving because I really was hopeful this afternoon that some things were going to happen that would bring us together on this. Unfortunately, this is not one of those things that I think is appropriate to a bill that's discussing learning communities in the Omaha area. And we're way off base in putting this in this bill. We should be on topic. I don't...you know, I have sympathy for this. There are other bills out there that we can use procedure and put this in. For those of you who might be a little newer here, there are bills sitting out there on...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator Bourne.

SENATOR THOMPSON: ...Final Reading that could be pulled back and dealt with, not this bill. It should not be this bill.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Thompson. Thank you, Senator Bourne. Mr. Clerk, motion on the desk.

CLERK: Mr. President, at this time I understand, Senator Heidemann, you want to withdraw AM3237.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Heidemann, is that correct?