

have gasoline for our motor vehicles. When a drought occurs in Brazil and there is a shortage of coffee, the price of coffee is going to grow up and we can pass all the legislation we want in the Legislature and it's not going to cure the problem. We can pass this bill and it is not going to create the jobs that we think it is. It is not going to save our economy. It is not going to save my home town of North Platte, Nebraska. What is going to happen is if we pass this bill, we're going to benefit a few corporations. We're going to benefit some corporations who are going to create some jobs and expand and that would have occurred anyway. It would have occurred whether we have this bill or not, but they are going to be able to take a tax break and get benefits and the effect is that some people are going to claim credit that, hey, this bill created those jobs, when in actuality the expansion would have occurred anyway.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR McFARLAND: My problem is that this bill is not a bill for all businesses. I'm supportive of businesses in Nebraska. This is not a bill that is going to benefit the majority of our corporate citizens in our state. It's going to benefit a few. It's going to benefit some new businesses that are going to come in and take advantage of the tax breaks. It's going to benefit a few expanding businesses that probably would have expanded anyway and it's going to work to the detriment of the Nebraska businesses that have been here for years and years, paying their fair share of the taxes to support the services that the state provides. These new businesses and expanding businesses are going to compete with the businesses of Nebraska that have been here for years and years, paying their fair share of the corporate burden...

PRESIDENT: Time.

SENATOR McFARLAND: ...participating in our state as they should. I just urge you to consider these things as you're considering voting for this bill.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Lamb, then Senator Chambers.

SENATOR LAMB: Question.

PRESIDENT: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.