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not going to start it, rather than try to drag it in and then, after the analysis, and if it's unclear I don't want to drag it on. And...I want it to work. I want to understand I support the bill. I want it...I would want it to work, but I also am skeptical knowing the meat inspections systems as I do, and that's limited, the federal versus state and that type of thing, that there's a lot of hoops to jump through and people are going to want to be very serious about it when they do this, and it will be a somewhat expensive program of the state ultimately if we get it. If the use is out there and the people want it, I would have no problem with doing that because I think it will add to producers' value-added abilities in the state of Nebraska as concerns meat. But those...those hoops are pretty severe to get into interstate commerce and I...I want to be sure we don't start something that's not going to be ultimately useful. So that's the extent of my amendment.

SPEAKER, KRISTENSEN: Senator Robak.

SENATOR ROBAK: Speaker, thank you, Mr. Speaker. I support the Wehrbein amendment. I think it just clarifies the issue a little more to ease our minds. This is a good amendment to a very good bill, I feel, and it is tending to be sort of expensive, as Senator Wehrbein stated, but however 50 percent will be picked up by the federal government and when the ban is lifted, when Congress lifts the ban on interstate commerce, then we will be in place to go across the state borders, which our surrounding states already have a state meat inspection program in place and they, if we do not have this in place, then they will be able to come across to Nebraska and sell their products. So this will level the playing field somewhat. It will add dollars to our economy eventually because of the value added and also because of the money that will come into our own...that will stay in our own communities. So I do support the Wehrbein amendment. I urge the body to do so also. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Vrtiska.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Yes, question for Senator Wehrbein, if I might.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes. Yes.