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employment criteria in their economic incentive programs. Iowa doesn't...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR ASHFORD: ...and most other states don't. So we actually, in having an employment criteria, have been in many respects more restrictive than many other states. Having said all that, I'll support the McFarland amendment and I'll listen closely to the arguments on the bill. I hope there are some good discussion on the business aspects and the impact that this will have on business in Nebraska and I appreciate the debate. I think it needs to be had and with that, I'll just support the amendment and listen to the debate on the bill. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator McFarland.

SENATOR MCFARLAND: Mr. Speaker, I'd respectfully call the question at this time.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator McFarland moves the previous question. Do I see five hands? I do. Those in favor of ceasing debate please vote aye, opposed nay. Shall debate cease? Please record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 8 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Debate ceases. Senator McFarland, to close. Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: May I raise an objection, please? I believe all of the debate has been in support of the amendment and...

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Schmit, we were closing. We are calling for a closing. I think...

SENATOR SCHMIT: I tried to get your attention, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The question again was what, untimeliness or...?

SENATOR SCHMIT: No, all of the arguments on the amendment were in support of the amendment, Mr. Speaker. I believe there are some very valid arguments that ought to be made against the amendment and I object to the proposal to close debate.