

happened. I will be, by the way, opposing Senator Wesely's amendment when it comes to this bill, if it comes on Select File because basically what he is trying to do and, again, a very laudable goal. He is trying to put some reporting requirements in that can't be done because it's going to be requiring a subjective guess as to what would have happened without or what would have happened in case and it is going to be subjective. There is no actuarial way that we can come to that. So I look at Goodyear and I say, well, they invested \$20 million, no new jobs and they apply for the the breaks and they get robotics in and they stay here. Now all of a sudden we hear they are adding jobs, never contemplated. They are going to do that. I look at Mutual of Omaha as Senator Ashford had pointed out, say, yes, they applied for these breaks, they put all this computer stuff in here, they get the tax breaks and they lay off 1,100 jobs. Senator Ashford pointed out that was going to happen anyway. Now is it wrong for us to give those things? I look at Union Pacific and, yes, they get these big breaks because they have asked for this computer freight yard center, this dispatch center, 500 new jobs, but they lay off 800, so we penalize them for that. Obviously, as Senator Ashford pointed out, that was going to happen anyway. That was because of a merger completely unrelated to 775. It was because of old freight yards in one place, new freight yards through a merger in another place, it had to happen. But I can tell you I believe that the things that we have had happen that were good because of LB 775 would not have happened if this part of the bill were part of 775. Now that's a belief. Obviously I can't prove that. I can say to you very clearly though that that cannot be proved on the other side and no amount of accountability right now through Senator Wesely's amendment or no amount of accountability after this passage is going to really be able to tell us that. I believe in the concept of LB 775 and I still do and I think...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: ...I think I can say with a lot of confidence that the ConAgra issue would not have stayed where it is right now, the Union Pacific issue with the 500 new jobs would not be in Omaha if this part of the legislation was in LB 775. Now if the bottom line is economic growth and the bottom line is strength and jobs, we have got, whether it would have happened anyway or not we don't know, but we have got \$2 billion worth of investment in this state this long term, long term. I think if you put this as a part of LB 775 you forestall that, and