

775, I mean anybody can come in apparently with an ailing company and say I ought to get a tax break, under Senator Schmit's theory, because that is what would justify Senator Schmit in allowing companies who are making reductions to continue to keep their tax credits. I think that policy is folly. The burden to get a tax break, because any tax break is a tax transference. The burden ought to be on the person getting the credit to justify its social value. We were persuaded to the social value of the creation of jobs was sufficient to transfer taxes away from these companies and to other people. It was a black eye to find out that taxes were being transferred to you and I...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR LANDIS: ...because of companies ability to adjust their employment practices from one side of the ledger to another, to get the tax credit, but then to reduce their jobs at the same time. That's a sham. And Jobs for Nebraska ought to be darned ashamed of themselves if they are in here asking for the continuation of this kind of black eye, given the massive expenditure of money they made and the representations they made two years ago. We need to set a clear policy for the future that we intend a narrow definition but that we intend to stand by the notion of jobs expansion for Nebraska and take that at its face value, not its sham or hoodwink definitions that we are now being urged upon by the lobby to continue to endorse by permitting 775's unintended consequences to remain.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator McFarland, followed by Senator Hefner.

SENATOR MCFARLAND: Mr. President, I'd respectfully call the question.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The question has been called. Are there five hands? Are there five hands to close debate? Thank you. Shall debate now cease? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Shall debate cease? Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

SENATOR MCFARLAND: Could I ask for a call of the house, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator McFarland requests a call of the house. The question is, shall the house go under call. Those