

SENATOR ROGERS: Mr. Speaker and members, I guess it would be my desire that Senator Wesely would carry his amendment with his own bill rather than trying to put it on something else. He had this amendment as a bill in committee. It was IPP'd in the committee. LB 335 is a good bill and I guess my concern is that if this amendment was tacked on, that it could endanger the bill. We're simply trying with this bill to help small businesses in small communities which we have hundreds of them out in rural Nebraska. Now we're not asking for a great amount of incentive, great amount of money for this, but it's just my desire that he would just go ahead and back off and have his own bill and see where he could go with it. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Wesely, followed by Senator Hall.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. Mr. Speaker and members, I appreciate Senator Carson Rogers' concern and I apologize, Senator Rogers. I would prefer not to be in this position. Unfortunately, the bill I had wasn't advanced. I was planning to pick it as a priority bill and sometimes things just don't work out the way you would like and I don't want to be in that situation. But still we do have a bill before us dealing with the topic of expanding the credits, trying to deal with that. We're always willing to do that. I think we're also I think having to recognize the requirement on the part of the public to try and ask that some reasonable accountability be brought into these bills. I would like to respond to Senator Hannibal's arguments and I thought he did a nice job of keeping it policy oriented. So I will try and do that as well, Senator Hannibal. But I would like to come back and I hope Senator Lynch is able to follow what I am saying here because if we can't make projections on 775 and LB 270 about what it's going to cost and what the situation is, then I wonder if we need to have any fiscal notes done anymore. We require fiscal notes for different legislation that passes. It's Section 6 of Rule 5 and, frankly, we have to do a lot of guesswork on those. We've got to make projections. We've got to anticipate what will happen and we don't always know what's going to happen. We do the best job we can to think about what a bill is going to cost and then fund it through appropriations or A bills or whatever go along with it. This is no different than that. If we can do that for the fiscal office in handling each bill that comes through, then we can do it for this piece of legislation. If we can't do it for this piece of legislation, then I don't see how we can do it for the fiscal notes coming through and I will plan