

SENATOR LINDSAY: Right. I don't know what the percentages are, but, yeah, the maximum benefit is what we're dealing with.

SENATOR CROSBY: And another thing I have is that the average number of weeks that someone draws benefits is 12.3 weeks, and I understand, I think correctly, that they have to be looking for a job and making a certain number of contacts each week and so on to...in order to qualify each time, right?

SENATOR LINDSAY: Right.

SENATOR CROSBY: Okay. Now, my other one, my other question is like the State of Nebraska, government entities pay into this too, correct?

SENATOR LINDSAY: That I don't know. I would guess so, yes.

SENATOR CROSBY: Well, there is some things on the fiscal note about, we do, we do pay into it, so the government employees are under the same kind of benefits if they are unemployed for whatever the rules are under being unemployed and getting the compensation. They are covered the same way as in private enterprise. I am concerned about it and I have some personal information and, thank you, Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: ...some personal information about it at the present time with a constituent who is having a problem finding a job and so on, so I am...I think we have to be a little careful. I understand about the point that we should be careful of the trust fund and I...some of my questions were answered when Senator Hefner and Senator Coordsen went through the points about where the money comes from and how it is used each time. But I think we have to...there is a fine line between employee and employer relationships and I think we have to be a little careful of trying to get along on both sides. So right at the moment I don't know exactly how I'm going to vote on the amendment, but thank you for answering my questions.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Korshoj, please.

SENATOR KORSHOJ: Mr. Speaker and members, I guess for the first time this year, when I was approached by the AFL-CIO would I