

happens to be in Omaha. You're talking about how you deal with your entire state minimum wage program and how it reflects on the state as a whole. I think we deserve better in Nebraska than what Senator Robinson is offering in this motion to return. I, again, would urge you to oppose the motion to return the bill.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Hall. The next speaker is Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I enjoy Senator Robinson on occasion even when I'm in disagreement with him as I am this morning and he didn't listen to me as well as I listened to him. He said he wishes my intercom was turned off. I started by saying it was turned off, Senator Robinson, I heard you without the benefit of my intercom. And it reminds me of a situation earlier...this was during the 1800s before Senator Robinson was around but I was, and they didn't have microphones in those days and one man who was in the Legislature had such a strong, booming voice that they would send him to his office two blocks away every time he got ready to speak and still it was almost too powerful a sound for everybody to deal with who would still be in the Chamber. So one of the senators told a story about this little boy who had been teased in Sunday School and he had been taught that God is in charge of everything, the storms and everything else, so one day this little boy got caught in a storm going home from school and he had to pass through a forest. So with the storm going on, it made everything even darker and great flashes of lightning would come and that's what he was afraid of but he feared the thunder more because when the thunder came it made the ground shake. So he would walk, he would see the flash of lightning and then this big clap of thunder, boom, so then falling back on his religious training, he said, Lord, if it's all the same to you, I would appreciate a little less noise and a little more light. Senator Robinson has given us plenty of noise, not very much light. He is making a strong, emotional appeal on behalf of a couple of businesses who have contacted him. And, for that, I do not fault him. We all determine what will be the spring or engine to motivate whatever it is that we do. I think there is a broader constituency who have a greater need of assistance from this body than the one which is being represented by Senator Robinson through his motion. We should try to think of young people as human beings, not adjuncts to their parents, not personal possessions, not objects which are expendable, not