

an interest. What does that mean? How firm are they in this interest?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I would say it's very firm.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, let me ask it like this. Have they expressed an intent to establish this operation in Nebraska?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes. I will tell you how it's stated. They have been authorized to take an option if this resolution would pass.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: All right, now that leads me to my next question. In the second resolve it obligates the Legislature to take the next...the necessary action during the Ninety-Second Legislature of Nebraska, Second Session. What is this necessary action that's being promised in advance but which cannot be guaranteed at this time?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: The production incentive for the years 1998, 1999 and the year 2000.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: How can you guarantee through this resolution, as is being done here, that the Legislature is going to do that?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I can't.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you think this is a promise being made which cannot be kept?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: There is that risk.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Why would we put those kind of words in a resolution like this when there is a serious business decision resting on the passage of this resolution?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Some of it has to do, I think, with the words of...of us, many of us that we will do all that we can to provide the intent to have the incentives and to fund the incentives for those years. We have them in place until 1997.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And these incentives will consist of what?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: A production for...this proposal right now