

SENATOR COORDSEN: ...lacking in blight. Perhaps three miles, Senator Jones, might be the better, since that's a current zoning jurisdiction, might be the better figure. But I believe that ten miles is excessive. Ten miles has the potential for creating, as Senator Schmit used to say, much chicanery on the part of development in the State of Nebraska. It depends tremendously upon what your intent is and whether blighted and substandard property is to be used, as has been used, and used well in the cities to rebuild blighted areas, or whether it is used in a power grab that the likes of which, a land grab, that this state has, in fact, never seen and never, in the history of the state, authorized this sort of tremendous change in tax policy. If we're...

SENATOR CROSBY: Time.

SENATOR COORDSEN: ...going to limit it to one bid, fine. If we're going to establish this as ongoing development policy in Nebraska,...

SENATOR CROSBY: Time.

SENATOR COORDSEN: ...it is a dangerous move.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Coordsen. Senator Wickersham, on the Jones amendment.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Madam President. I rise in support of Senator Jones' amendment. As the amendment was beginning to be discussed and we were talking about how much...and Senator Withem was talking about how much land is needed for one of these projects, I was harkening back to my high school days when I took geometry and I was beginning to wonder, quite frankly, a little bit about how many acres are in a ten-mile swathe around a city that has a circumference, let's say, of 30 miles. And then you take a ten-mile strip outside of that and you have thousands of acres, thousands; more than you would ever need for probably 50 or 60 or some other multiple of Micron. So I began to wonder why was the number set at ten-miles. Is there something within ten miles of some city that is specifically being targeted? I don't know. I don't have the foggiest idea where Micron might put its plant but I know that there would be plenty of room within two miles of a number of cities that I can think of, plenty of room, plenty of