

will be many other discussions on this bill and other bills that are within this package, but remember that we are painting some kind of a picture for the future, and I think it is important that we know at least what color of paint we are going to use.

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Madam President.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Coordsen. Before we go on to the next speaker, I'd like to introduce two guests of the Legislature, Loretta Daro and David Daro from David City. They are guests of Senator Bromm and they are in the south balcony. Would you please welcome these guests. Thank you. And also Senator Stuhr announces that Dr. D.J. Loschen of York is here now. He is our Doctor of the Day. Senator Withem, on the Coordsen amendment.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Yeah, I would simply rise to oppose the Coordsen amendment and offer an explanation for that opposition. First of all, once again, Senator Coordsen has picked out an area where there is an arbitrary point of applicability of this statute and has suggested that we change that. I would like to point out for the body that during preliminary negotiations on this bill, and I don't think there is any secret, and I am not telling any stories that is is not a concept that I drew up in the corners of my office over there. This is a bill that was...concepts that were brought forward by people in our Department of Economic Development, support from the Governor's Office, support from the business community. When I was visiting with those folks about this bill, I indicated to them because anticipating Senator Wesely's opposition and, frankly, some of it I think is rational, I wanted to make sure that we set the limits on these jobs so that these would only apply to those businesses that would not have existed in our state if we did not have this legislation; in other words, sufficiently large organizations. And I had originally proposed a higher limit than is ultimately in this bill. The problem with raising it, and the real problem with Senator Coordsen's amendment, particularly after he was very clear and honest in his...in his explanation, that he wants to make sure that this bill only applies to this particular situation. Senator Coordsen has been around long enough to know that you can't do that. You cannot pass special legislation. You cannot pass legislation that will apply to only one circumstance and never to another. There has