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SENATOR WILL PRESIDING

SENATOR WILL: One minute.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...generally the strategy of slowing things down. Thank you.

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Senator Bernard-Stevens. Senator Warner, you are next.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I would rise to oppose the Coordsen amendment, and just a passing comment from Senator Bernard-Stevens' comment, it would be nice all right if we could have just one bill that changed all of the laws in one session with one vote, and it was all balanced. But as you all well know, the system just simply doesn't work that way. I'd pick a lot of other things besides gasohol that if I had my choice, but...as well as that. But what I want to address is the issue, and I am opposed to the amendment as a matter of policy. And the policy is this, the bill as it is designed has 500 or 50 million. That's a minimum of \$100,000 investment per job, which is a little low. If you use the projections that Micron has suggested might be the maximum investment, what might be the maximum number of jobs, it comes out like 400,000 per...investment per job. If you divide 200 or 2,500 into 500 million, you are talking about 20,000 investment per job. Now there is little doubt in my mind that if you want high-tech jobs and you want better paying jobs, something that has \$20,000 investment for that job, are not likely to result in the kind of salaries that Nebraskans would probably like to see, and so I would be opposed to lowering that investment per job down to the level that would be here. I think the level that is in there is the minimum. I am comfortable with that and I would hope that the body would reject the two thousand number for the simple reason it just becomes way too small as far as the investment per job that would qualify and I don't think that would be good public policy.

SENATOR CROSBY PRESIDING

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Warner. Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Madam President and members of the body. Senator Chambers covered I think very adequately what I