

SENATOR CROSBY: Time.

SENATOR WARNER: ...opportunities from those low investments per employee that is desirable.

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

SPEAKER WITHEM: Yes, Madam President, members of the body, a few points I'd like to make that have come up in the discussion that don't necessarily relate to the Coordsen amendment, although I probably should indicate, Senator Coordsen, I am not warming up to your amendment at all yet. So just because I don't bad mouth it too much doesn't mean that I'm becoming a big fan of it. But two or three things that I think need to be talked about, one of those is, Senator Chambers started a dialogue here about who drafted the bill, and he asked a question about Micron, whether they insisted on this, and there have been some other sorts of questions that makes me think that there might be a misassumption about Micron's involvement in this. This is not an analogy to LB 775. If you remember 775, Mike Harper had the corporate jets warming up on the runway in Eppley Airfield, and Senator Hartnett is demonstrating here a gun to the head of the Legislature, if you change a word in this bill, we are telling the pilot to take off and we are out of here. And a lot of people, rightfully, have a lot of resentment about that process; not necessarily the result of it because there is still mixed feelings about 775, but the process caused some problems. Micron is not operating that way. Micron has not said, hey, Nebraska, we will give you a look but, here, take these bills and pass them. We could, and I will be very honest with everybody here, we could pass every one of these bills word for word and you are right, Senator Chambers, we could read in the Omaha World-Herald that Micron has chosen one of the other states. That's possible. The other end of the spectrum, we could not pass any of these, and Micron could still look at Nebraska and say, well, despite those incentive bills not passing, we still like Nebraska better than the other two states. We don't know what they are going to do. What they have done is they have said, as a company, we are going to do an expansion someplace in the world, and these are our requirements. We would like to know what you have for education. We would like to know what you have for a workforce. We would like to know what your transportation, your water needs, your electrical supply, and lots of other things that they need, and one of those questions is, and do you have an