

substandard areas. The only reason that language is in there is to justify the inclusion of the rehabilitation and redevelopment of blighted and substandard areas; that's the only reason it is in there. It does not belong in this bill. It does not need to be in this bill and we ought to strip it from the bill. It is the kind of thing that makes these types of debates so onerous for us. It is the kind of language that says, look, you know, we want you to do this but we are going to rub your nose in it along the way. At least Mike Harper was honest. Mike Harper said, hey, look, I am going to leave. You either do it or I'm gone, I'm out of here. And I said, gc, I really don't care, and he ended up in my district, and I kind of like it. I have got a great park down there. I go there with the kids. Me and the boys, we throw the football around, take the dog down there, he does his business, and I enjoy that tremendously. The fact of the matter is that, you know, he had something to hold over our heads. In the case of this issue, it is not Micron that is saying this to us, and in that sense, I disagree with Senator Chambers to a certain extent because I don't believe, honestly, that it is Micron because at the same time he has also said that their representatives...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR HALL: ...don't hold these types of proposals to be that precious to their decisions. But what happens is that somehow we believe, we being the supporters of the bill, that these types of measures are absolutely necessary in order to get the support or to have Nebraska looked at as a site. The fact of the matter is, ladies and gentlemen, Nebraska was in the top group of finalists before this session ever got started. It is February 21st. Do you think Micron made their decisions on expansion before calendar year 1995? Do you think they did their due diligence within the last seven weeks? I don't think so. I think we were there because of the laws we have in place, because of the kind of work ethic we have in this state, because of a number of different things, none of them related to LB 830. All LB 830 does...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Time.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Hall. Senator Lindsay.