

little amendment to the amendment to just let me respond. Senator Lindsay, read the bill, read the amendment, read the language. I mean here we go, subsection (10), let's just break it down. It says, Nebraska has been unable to attract to the state a sufficient number of major business expansion and relocation projects of the type needed to stimulate the growth of population and quality jobs for the citizens to address the rehabilitation and redevelopment of such blighted and substandard areas. Look at the second sentence in that paragraph, in that section. It says, such major projects and the economic activity they create have the capability...have the capability, it doesn't mean they are going to, but they have the capability to help eliminate the blighted and substandard areas in this state. There is no guarantee there whatsoever. Read the proposal. It says that there is...the state, first of all, has done such a bad job in this area in terms of attracting major business expansion, I mean, what is sufficient? If I could bring more people to the state, would I? Absolutely. Try chairing the Revenue Committee for awhile, and when you realize you are picking the same \$700,000...700,000 pockets every time you change a tax policy, it doesn't matter. The only way you create new revenue is to create new people, and with your pro-life stance, I am sure that is something that you and I can agree on. But, frankly, the issue here is not one of is this something that is, you know, clearly going to ensure that this takes place, because it doesn't. Then go down to section (11) that you referred to as well; companies which undertake major expansions and relocations do so only upon evaluating the competitive strengths and weaknesses of various states. I would argue that just flat out ain't true. That is not true. Companies expand based on what they have done. You understand what is involved with moving a company. It is not something that is done on whim, on fancy. It is done because the board of directors all of a sudden decided they don't like the climate here. I mean those folks look at what has happened in the state they happen to be in, and it is only after much deliberation that they would uproot a company and move. They have to think long and hard about that. And, clearly, economic incentives play a part in that, that is true. But to say that somehow this language ensures that those types of companies are going to beat down the door at the border of Nebraska, we were told the same thing in 1987. I supported that legislation. Contrary to popular belief, I was a yes vote on that bill. Now we are saying in legislation purported to do the same type of thing, to