

itself is to become law. Time will tell that. But if it becomes law, it ought to not become law with the language that is in this. Not only is it ridiculous, I know that Senator Hall indicated that he was tempted to use a street phrase making reference to male bovine excrement, a phrase that I certainly would not use on the floor of the Legislature either, but it brings to mind connotations, not only with the squishiness of it, but the aroma that permeates the very pages that it is written on. This is nonsense, folks, absolutely nonsense that we would put into statute, for an example, blatant lies. Section (9), the entire state has experienced a lack of sufficient economic and population immigration and has experienced significant economic and population emigration. Where are the demographic statistics that say that Nebraska, we have had population shifts, but we have not declined in population? We have economic shifts, but we have not had declines in economic activities, and you are willing to sit here and vote to put this in the law books of the State of Nebraska? I am ashamed for you. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator. Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President and members. Again, the amendment merely does this, it strikes Section 2 from the bill. It does not, in any way, shape, or form, affect the integrity of the proposal. The proposal is an economic incentive for business. Section 2 does not impact that one whit, and I think you need to understand that. Somehow the thought has been that without Section 2 in the bill it would not be able to succeed. You can still do the economic incentives. You can still provide for the tax increment financing. All you do is take the excessive language out of the bill that Senator Coordsen portrayed it as a blatant lie. There are a number of things in here that really ought to get your ire up. You really ought to become exercised about them. You ought to take a look at this and say, now, I can do this proposal, I can support the economic incentives in the package, but I draw the line at these types of proposals. That's where we are at. Section 2 just strikes it from the bill. It isn't necessary. It is not needed. It serves no purpose. It brings no value to the legislation. All it does is serve to, I would argue, place in statute issues that are untrue about this state, issues that, were they proposed in any other type of legislation, we would vehemently oppose. We would be chomping at the bit to see who could offer this amendment to strike these types of proposals