

voting for 829 because of the change of the parameters. Let me say again, as I have said from the get-go, I think Micron...I think we should do what we can within the realm of the possible to get Micron to come to Nebraska. That's the kind of project we want to have, but in the name of that project I won't expand those benefits to projects that do not rival it in its payoff and its size. And, for that reason, since we have taken a significant step, in my view, away from that, I need time to reevaluate, which means I won't be voting for 829 on General File at this time. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Landis. Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Yes, Madam President, once again, I talked about how I thought that the bill will take away from the positive aspect on 775 in terms of the revenue gained by the employees that are hired and how that negative impact is felt. Let me talk a bit about philosophically on the tax incentive issue and how I see us better working through this, and, again, the time hasn't been here to do some of these things. But, first off, the tax incentive issue is, do we want to play the game or not? And most of us are obviously saying, in this Legislature and in the leadership of the state, with the Governor and the Chamber and everybody else, we must play the game, that we must be out there to attract in business and to play that game we must do more than we already did with 775, we've got to do even more, whatever we have to do to up the ante to get people to come here. And, obviously, the first thing...and the question, the first question is, do we want to get into the game and do we want to fight that fight? And I think, politically, there's almost no way to not do that. I think, realistically, obviously the states are at war, an economic war in terms of trying to attract business and we're one-upping each other. We've all talked about that. We know it exists. So if we must engage in this warfare, how do we limit our losses and maximize our gains? And, in my view, the way we do that is to make sure the legislation we pass targets the types of companies and industries that we want. It's not a blanket, across the board, open-ended tax break, and 775 really didn't do that. It had the standards and it was after-the-fact tax breaks but it brought in...that net didn't just catch the fish we were fishing for, it brought in hundreds of additional fish that we weren't necessarily wanting to have but nevertheless were brought into it. And this will as well, we're talking Micron here, already Pfizer has been added, and who will be next. And in the first