

indigent care and other types of obligations that the state has and end up not having any additional resources to pay for it. Well, that doesn't make sense to me. We always talk about good jobs. We always talk about we're supporting these economic development initiatives, not to help the corporate front office and not to help anybody other than the workers out there.

SENATOR LANDIS: Time is run, Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: We want good jobs and, in my view, if you really are talking about bringing in good jobs, this is your chance to put your money where your mouth is and to vote for ensuring that the jobs that are brought in are, in fact, good jobs with good wages and good benefits.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Senator Wesely. Senator Hall is recognized. And a quick tabulation shows that Senator Chambers is entitled to speak for a third time. Senator Hall, you are recognized.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President, and members, I rise in support of Senator Wesely's amendment dealing with the wage issue. I believe that, again, that this is the type of incentive that the workers in Nebraska deserve. We are being asked to provide the incentives built into the proposal that make up 829. They're there. We're ready, willing and able to do that, at least some of us are. The Wesely proposal says that there are issues regarding our workers, our work force, that we want addressed as well. It is clearly one of the real problems that we did not address in the previous legislation of this kind that was passed in 1987. Senator Wesely continued to harp on it. He's back here dealing with the issue again and I think this is the right time in order to do it. As we're crafting this legislation, as we look back on the past mistakes that we made when we put together 775, 370, and the other proposal that dealt with the incentives that we offered to business, this is the one gaping hole that remains after you look at some of the amendments that were adopted by the committee amendments and other amendments that have been adopted along, this is the...along the way. This is the one area dealing with the wage that will be offered. There is no guarantee in the bill. What Senator Wesely says is that there has to be a standard, a floor for those positions that allow you to qualify and that is at \$11. The issue, I think, is one of parity, parity for those taxpayers who are going to be asked to help pick up the cost in