

and indicates that LB 830...appears likely the Legislature is in a position to define and declare farmland and vacant land as blighted and substandard. So, in other words, the Attorney General found that what we passed in LB 830, evidently, in his view, is constitutional. I still question how we can start defining farmland and vacant land as blighted and substandard, but because of the broad grant of authority, evidently, in the Constitution, we have that power and authority, which is a concern. It again indicates how constitutional amendments have to be adopted with some caution, and I also want to note again the article in the Journal-Star on Sunday. Labor market could cause Micron problems, and again the point I want to make, as Micron and their board are considering whether or not to come to Nebraska, is that I don't believe the labor market will cause Micron problems if they, in fact, bring the type of jobs they promised. If they have good-paying jobs with good benefits, they will find an underemployment situation in Nebraska where many of our citizens are at work with very little unemployment but at jobs that have low wages, in many cases without the benefits that people want, and should a company come in with good jobs and good benefits and good wages, they will find a willingness of Nebraskans to move to those jobs and they will find these employees to be outstanding. What I see, as a Legislature and as a state, the consequences that I am trying to point out is when you see that movement to a Micron, when you see them leaving other jobs to move and work at Micron, then you will have these other companies coming to us saying, look at what has happened to me, I can't get employees. We've already heard this for the last few months. We need help, and they will be asking us next year and the following years for assistance with this type or that type of break and incentive. Some of the ideas that we've looked at in the past would be a year of property taxes not having to be paid by somebody moving into the State of Nebraska, other types of things like that. And I guess there are some bills already being looked at on that. So that's the point I want to make, that I think a Micron could come in and find employees because their wages and benefits are of a higher level than currently are available, and I think that is good for Nebraska. What is going to be a negative impact is the consequences to the other companies out there who have been able to have the lower wages and the lower benefits, and they are going to be asking for help from us, and I am just cautioning you that we should understand that and be a little concerned about it. That's the main points I wanted to make and, again, appreciate the Speaker's willingness to look at the cost-benefit