

this, but the question is, what does the state as a whole get for this? And I think, in struggling to answer that, of course, we know full well that the western two-thirds of Nebraska will not have the opportunity, probably would not want a business this large coming into their community. You couldn't handle those numbers of people coming into your community. Your schools couldn't absorb that many. Your housing market couldn't hold that. Perhaps more dangerous, though, is what happens if that company would ever leave, because the shock to your community would be almost unbearable. And I don't think we make any excuses that probably our two largest communities are the only two that will really have an opportunity for businesses to come in like this. So why would someone from outside of these two larger communities ever want to vote for this? And it is very simple. If they believe in the policy, and you've got to make that jump, if you don't like this type of legislation, fine, that's fair, it is like any other piece of legislation. But if you are worried about it solely because of where you live, I think the answer becomes this. The issue of a rural-urban split is silly. Some of the strongest supporters of this bill have been from rural Nebraska, not because they are getting anything out of it, and if it is, that's silly too because it's foolishly placed. There is not a quid pro quo, you are not going to get this for that, but it's because people determined that it is in the best state policy, and that if it benefits one part of the state, that that time will come when another part of the state wants some consideration as well. And maybe the needs of the other part of the state aren't as big, maybe it isn't \$100 million in jobs or a billion dollar construction project, and maybe to my friends in Omaha and Lincoln, those are small potatoes, some of the requests that are asked for or some of the problems that rural Nebraska may have. But the issue is that you listen and that you consider them on a case by case basis. There are people that don't like these bills for a variety of reasons. That's okay. They've tried their best, they will try their best and maybe they are going to continue to do so today to defeat them. That's fair, but I think what's very important here is that for those of us in the rest of Nebraska who look at bills like this and say, why are we even concerned about this, why do we consider them at all, the question, and the answer comes to this, that we do act as a state,...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.