

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: ...that we're state senators, and we're not district senators, and that we don't come down here just mainly to get what we can get and go back home. We fairly and legitimately look at the problems and the opportunities. Here it's an opportunity for probably our two largest communities to have some extra business incentives. Does that...does that help the State of Nebraska? Yes, it does. Do I hope they come? Yes, I do. If they don't, it is not the end of the world and it doesn't mean that there aren't other problems in the rest of the State of Nebraska. So to my friends in Omaha and Lincoln, I hope that you will look at the other issues of the rest of the session, that we put together the tough work that was done last week because that is difficult, it does take its drain, but in the long run it is worth it because you fairly consider policy. There has probably been more policy discussion in this Legislature in the last week than there has been in the entire session prior to this, and that's what we are here for. Thank you, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Senator Wehrbein wishes to announce that the following guests are visiting the Legislature. There are 54 twelfth graders here from Syracuse Senior High in Syracuse, Nebraska with their teachers, and they are all in the north balcony. Will you please stand and be recognized. Welcome. Senator Chambers, your light is next.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President and members of the Legislature, I'd like to ask Senator Kristensen a question. Senator Kristensen, under the provisions of LB 830 or 829, could a packing plant qualify under this legislation to get the benefits?

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Kristensen.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Senator, for 820...let's deal with 829 because that's the bill we are on, as long as they meet those new employees and bring in those 500 jobs and that 50 million of investment, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And do the employees have to be Nebraska citizens or residents?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: No.