

already said here is the pool of funds that you are allotted to use. And they said, well, what about the balance, the check and balance on this type of a fund? And Senator Landis said, at that time, the political fallout will be the check and balance. If you have a Governor who is going to make a decision and give someone a million dollars or a half a million dollars, when they come to the State of Nebraska and open a new business, and he has given it to someone who later gives him a big political contribution, then he suffers that. Just like with the GTECH contract, you know, this got \$9,000 or whatever into his campaign. It was in the paper. People knew about that. So you do have some of that political check and balance there, but all these things you are saying is true. It is exactly what you are saying, a Governor's discretionary fund, and if people want to vote for that type of a discretionary fund and have that as part of the opportunity here for the Governor in the State of Nebraska to present when he is discussing some of these issues with people who are considering coming to Nebraska, then vote for this bill. There is no reason to bracket it to get answers because there aren't any answers. There...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR WITEK: ...weren't any more answers during the committee hearing than you are hearing now out of Senator Engel or anyone else. There is no more written into the bill. They didn't want to write any more into the bill. We wrote in, in the committee amendments that you have already adopted, some, some checks and balances there to make sure that the Governor has the discretion, that it did go to one final person, that it wasn't up to the Department of Economic Development. That they would make proposals, but it was still up to the Governor, and the Governor could, in my opinion, make a decision on his own. He doesn't have to go to the Department of Economic Development. From my understanding of going through the hearing, this is all things that could happen. To you, Senator Chambers, and maybe others, you find this alarming, but we've handed money over before from the State of Nebraska. Senator Wesely talked about the millions of dollars, the North Omaha Development Corporation, when I checked out where that was, I got a thing saying it was written off. A lot of these things are written off. So there is no more...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Time.