

won't be enough dollars to still do all of those things we want to do in the CDBG grant, for example, but one of the things on page 2 of this bill, on Section (c) it talks about to supplement existing economic development programs including Community Development Block Grants and customized job training programs. We are going to be adding monies to monies we already have out there, and the question that I believe that this Legislature has got to come to grips with at some point is, when do we put some monies out there for people who are not being helped? I can't tell you how many people, not because I can't tell you, it is simply because there has been a large number, and I can't remember the number, but the people that have called or written or talked to me, and in my district alone that have said we have a legitimate business, we would like to market our product. We don't have an idea of how to market the product. Is there some monies out there to help us do these things and to develop? And the only answer I can give them is Small Business Administration; well, they've tried that. Have you tried DED? Yes, they sent somebody out and they worked with us, but the bottom line is they can give us an idea of what to do but there is no monies there. We need monies to do it. Oh, and eventually what happens is they don't get anywhere, and that private enterprise initiative dies for lack of support, but they see us doing Micron; they see us doing LB 270; they see us doing for value-added industry, but we didn't have enough to even put them in. Senator Engel, would you be opposed if we amended this bill so that it does not go into existing programs we have like Community Development...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...Block Grants but instead would be available for retailers and people in Nebraska who are not able to access any of these dollars, so that they would be able to expand and keep it totally within economic depressed areas, so those that are good economic strong areas would not be able to take advantage of these dollars?

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Engel.

SENATOR ENGEL: I will be glad to give you a very short answer is, yes, I would oppose it. I would oppose that.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Senator Engel. And when we have more time, I will ask you why you don't want people in our