

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Senator Chambers, you know the process better than I. They did not tell me. I am representing a group of interests and people who have been discussing this rule and its adverse impact on Nebraska and its economy and its businesses.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, let me ask you that question. Would you, being the kind of businessman that I described, and I believe you are, swallow that from a company that says, we are in a position to expand because our market is out there, but we are not going to expand because of this tax?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Well, Senator, let me answer with some specifics. Let's go to Cabela's on the list. You understand that we solicited these people to allow their good names to be used here in this discussion. This isn't attractive to be involved in, and, in fact, we have no idea how many companies simply don't raise the issue, they just fade into the night because they don't want to be a part of this.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, before my time...

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Cabela's...Cabela's is on record as having asked for the repeal of this tax for years. I think it is for seven years. During that period, they have had the expansions which you see here...

SENATOR CROSBY PRESIDING

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: ...resulting in three locations in Nebraska. Now,...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So the failure to repeal did not stop them from advance...I meant expanding. Let me make a comment or two because we will run out of time now, and then I will punch my light again. I don't believe there is any corporation making money, which because of the piddling amount, comparatively speaking, of this tax, would refuse to expand. I don't believe there is a corporation in the world which is making money which says I am going to pick up, uproot my whole operation, and move someplace else so I don't have to pay this piddling tax. Senator Brashear, it is known on this floor that I don't understand anything about business, I don't understand anything about taxation, but I am not a rube or a sucker and these