

understand Senator Brashear's arguments and appreciate them. One thing, though, if we want stability in our tax system, then maybe we ought not to make this change in it, (laughter), but I understand what he is trying to say. The other one is the idea that nobody will come here not certain whether or not they will pay the tax, and, frankly, you know, I think the argument isn't attracting people in here so much as losing people. And the figures, he issued about three or four companies, or whatever, who actually are paying most of the tax. I would like to see some information on that to see what it is he is specifically referring to. I saw a letter to Senator Beutler on this. I am going to just again make the point that it seems to me that we have been more cautious on tax policy on some of these items, and we didn't seem to hold back when we put a sunset on Micron, we put a sunset on a number of other elements, and, you know, the argument about, well, this will stop people, this won't accomplish anything, it didn't stop us from taking that step and I don't think that that's the reason Micron didn't come to Nebraska because we had a sunset on that bill. You know, I do think that sunsets on uncertain revenue losses like this is in order. It is not like if we take a step and we appropriate money to child care or health care or some other service that we control the appropriation process for. We can...in this case, the law itself determines an entitlement to a tax break. And not knowing the revenue loss involved has me worried. The round figures now are 1.6 million is what is in or has been talked about in the bill, but Senator Warner talked about well, there may be more, it could be up to 4 million. And could it be more than that? Who knows. And so it seems to me, again, caution is in order and I'd ask that the body be cautious and adopt the sunset on the bill.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Wesely. Senator Hall, on the Wesely amendment.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President and members. I rise in opposition to Senator Wesely's amendment. Now, Senator Janssen, sit in your seat and relax. Senator Brashear, I can just see that knot in your tie getting tighter, but the fact of the matter is that, Senator Wesely, you never know how to deal with me anyway, so it doesn't really matter, I wasn't concerned about you. You are used to that, that's right. The issue here really is one of, and I don't know if it has been touched on, and I apologize, I was out of the Chamber when the debate started on this issue, and I apologize to Senator McKenzie that