

that...that particular reason, but would you care to comment on that, that particular (interruption)?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I would agree that not necessarily, but it'd also be naive to say that that wasn't a consideration occasionally when you're hiring a temporary worker, however reasonably priced you can get them and get the work done, if you don't have to pay health insurance for part-time workers. That's what they are, temporary workers, however you want to define, you don't pay any more than you have to and so it'd be naive to say that that was never taken into consideration, but I do believe that the primary reason...that is not the primary reason.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. I have one other question, but my time's about ready to run out.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Bernard-Stevens. Senator Chambers, your light is next.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President and members of the Legislature, I'd like to ask Senator Wehrbein a question. Now, Senator Wehrbein, these kind of get into policy areas. If you have a situation of this employee pool, any agency which is going to take a temporary employee would draw the employee from that pool. Is that correct?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: That's the intent, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Could we...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Within reason, within the Omaha, Lincoln, metropolitan area. Outstate that's not quite true because there...it doesn't have...it isn't out there, but technically...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, let...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ..so technically, no, but generally, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right. Let's talk about where the pool is going to be most in effect on a relatively consistent basis.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Okay.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Would...could we create a situation where