

Development. One of the things that they were trying to do is when we had, in fact, Senator Schrock brought everyone's attention to it not too long ago. There was some concerns when you had like "My Antonia" and television documentary series, documentaries made for or movies that were made and so on, that it's very difficult for children in Nebraska to work in those areas because the law now, and I've already misplaced it, but the law now is if you're under 16 in Nebraska you cannot work after 10:00 p.m. and if you're under 14 you cannot work after 8:00 p.m., unless you get a special permit, but the businesses cannot be subject to federal law. I mean that's what we have now. The bill had it pretty wide open. The bill, if you read the final copy bill, we had performing arts which had been radio, television, theatrical plays, everything that you could do. What this amendment does is put it back to the original intent of what the Department of Economic Development intended and that's simply that for purposes of this section, performing arts, means motion picture productions, made for television movies and television documentations. I think it tightens it up better. I guess the one concern I had is that there is a reason that we have child labor laws and even though I'm a great supporter of the humanities, there's a tremendous amount of education that could be learned, there's a reason for the child labor laws and I don't think we should in just one area just basically throw it out and say anything can be an exception to that child labor law. I think if our intent was to do it for movies and television documentation motion picture productions that we should go ahead and say that is a special thing that we can do for Nebraska that can help Nebraska. In those particular industries it's difficult to do things if it's a nighttime scene, certainly before 8:00 p.m. in Nebraska so we give some flexibility there but in the other areas leave it the way it is at this particular point. That's the amendment and I would appreciate its adoption. And I think Senator Landis will have a point-counterpoint.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Madam President, members of the Legislature, let me agree with a point that David made and that is the economic development brought us this bill to facilitate television and movie productions in this state. They want to make sure it was easy for film and movie companies to be able to use child actors being paid, those who would be otherwise subject to the labor laws and not run afoul of state law and