

is the purpose?

SENATOR ENGEL: Senator Chambers, if this amendment is passed, it would no longer be the purpose as far as the bill, itself, how it reads. But, however, the body still has the option of rejecting this amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But I am asking you, are you telling us that those who worked with you on this bill, the originators of this bill, have changed their mind?

SENATOR ENGEL: In the original bill, that was definitely in there.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And it was in there because they wanted to use this money in those instances where it was necessary to make Nebraska competitive. Isn't that why the words were put there originally?

SENATOR ENGEL: That's the way I interpret it, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And that's the way you explained it, and that's the way I understood it.

SENATOR ENGEL: Right.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now you are telling us that they have had a change of heart and that no longer is the reason for having this bill. Isn't that what you are saying by asking us to remove these words?

SENATOR ENGEL: What I am saying, Senator, is when we had these meetings in between the floor debate with the different senators that had their different problems with this bill as far as this particular portion of it, this was brought up and the people who gave me the bill to present did not object to this change. There was a consensus of opinion that this would be okay.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And by adopting that position, isn't it true that they are saying the original purpose of the bill has now changed and no longer is the purpose of this bill merely to operate in those situations where it is necessary in order to keep Nebraska competitive with another state? It is to operate in situations where that is not even a part of the question, isn't that true?