

do as a state is to pass LB 136, attempt to address the issue and I would encourage you to vote for the passage of this bill. I agree completely with Senator Warner's statements.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Will. Senator Jensen.

SENATOR JENSEN: Yes, Madam President and members of the body. I do have some... some concerns with this. I understand where Senator Warner is coming from, however, here in Nebraska we have built ourselves up as a telemarketing state, a telemarketing capital, and many of these telemarketing firms have offices outside of Omaha, have offices outside of Nebraska in other states. I'm really concerned that they will take those people that are currently here in Omaha or those jobs that are in Nebraska and move those to other states where they're not encumbered by this law. Certainly it is hard to tell firms outside the state that they must report their sales and back to our state. It's hard to tell our people, of course we do have control of that, anything that is sold within the state is certainly is subject to the sales tax, but I must tell you that this is... we're adding three more people on to the employment rolls of the State of Nebraska without having really any assurance as to what revenue that will be brought in. The reporting is going to be I think burdensome to some of the firms. Certainly I would agree with Senator Abboud that the constitutionality has been questioned. That's the reason I did request the Attorney General's Opinion. Also, the federal government in the Quill case has asked that...or has been told that they can enter into this, which would certainly be the solution to all states and it's a matter of time. It will happen that certainly all sales tax will be generated. I don't know how many...I happen to be...enjoy fishing and I must say that when I get my fishing catalogs from Cabela and Bass Pro Shop and if I buy from Cabela's I pay sales tax, if I buy from Bass Pro Shop I don't pay sales tax. That happens to many people and it certainly should be addressed, but I think it is wrong for the State of Nebraska to be the initiator of this and then to suffer any repercussions that might come along. So I really have problems with this particular bill at this time. Certainly down the road I think it might make sense, but at this time no. I thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Jensen. Senator Robinson.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Madam President, members of the body, Senator