

employees subjected to a position where they may not be able to get a refund on their individual income tax return but now, even if by some miracle, it's determined that they should have a refund they don't even know it. But the refund doesn't come back to them until they make an application. I don't see how they'd ever know that they were supposed to have a refund. I'm not saying that to be critical specifically of the provisions of 829 that we passed last year. I hope you understand that I'm making these comments to assert that the methodology in 1368 is the appropriate way to run this program. Flat-out, pure, simple, it is the way to run this program...

SENATOR WILL: Time.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: ..and we should have no interest in having an old, defective way and a new appropriate way. My amendment should be adopted.

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Senator Wickersham. Senator Robinson.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Mr. President, members of the body, I stand to oppose the Wickersham amendment and, of course, I like the way Senator Chambers uses his words. I don't think...I don't think the money's being extorted. I think extorted is taking money under duress and I don't think the money's being taken under duress. It's being done to train people. I know the company up in my neck of the woods has applied for it and they have to put 250 employees to work before they get any credit. Probably over half of those people work in Omaha, Senator Chambers. Hope Senator Lynch is around. Hope he hears that. Those people are working. They come from Omaha in droves up to my neck of the woods. Ought to charge them a wheel tax probably. Hear that, Senator Chambers? I'd charge them a wheel tax. Course, your mayor tried to get a wheel tax off us, but irregardless I don't think the money's being extorted and I think everyone should vote no on the Wickersham amendment. I give the rest of my time to Senator Brashear.

SENATOR WILL: Senator Brashear.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Yes.

SENATOR WILL: Senator Brashear, you're recognized for about three and a half minutes.