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Chair.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Bruning. Senator Lynch, you're recognized on the indefinitely postpone LB 608.

SENATOR LYNCH: Yeah, Mr. Speaker and members, could I ask Senator Matzke or somebody a question about the whole idea and principle involved here?

SENATOR MATZKE: Certainly.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Matzke.

SENATOR LYNCH: Yeah. Correct me if I'm wrong, but if I understand it this whole...some of the argument began as a result of companies having to close down and retool, refurbish, or whatever it might be, during which time...is that right or wrong?

SENATOR MATZKE: That's correct. That's...

SENATOR LYNCH: Yeah.

SENATOR MATZKE: ...what precipitated this.

SENATOR LYNCH: So that meant that, for example, a company that deals in food processing might have to close down for a couple of weeks, maybe longer, to take the equipment apart, to clean it, to make sure everything is safe and sanitary. Is that right or something like that?

SENATOR MATZKE: There are a number of cases...

SENATOR LYNCH: Yeah, number.

SENATOR MATZKE: ...that are before the...

SENATOR LYNCH: Okay.

SENATOR MATZKE: ...Labor Department.

SENATOR LYNCH: But I was just curious then, are the people who