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that, other states started that, we had to compete. And so I've always been in the unhappy position of supporting things like LB 775, but doing so simply because it's been taken out of our hands. What I actually think should happen is the federal government should come along and be sure that nobody is using these kinds of incentives, then we'd all be better off. But we don't seem to get to that point. But as long as the competition among the states is allowed to happen, then we must be competitive. And, if we must be competitive, then isn't it better for us to maximize, in whatever way we think makes most sense, our competitive advantage, and to the extent that we cannot stop the increasing productivity in the farm sector that results in fewer laborers needed to produce the same amount of goods, then at least those kids can stay in Nebraska someplace, hopefully. Whereas, if you cut down on the LB 775 incentive, then you're cutting down on the ability of the urban areas to attract industry and therefore absorb young people coming in from the...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...countryside. So I think they should be separated, and then we can talk about Senator Wehrbein's concept with regard to beginning farmers, and talk about that in terms of really whether we think it will work. And, if we do think it will work, then fund it. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I will support Senator Brashear's amendment, and part of the reason is from the beginning I recognized that there was two ways I could go on this bill. And I decided originally to start out using LB 775, in fact, the green copy is at 50 percent, not 80 percent as the Revenue Committee ended up. And I'm not unwilling...actually many wanted to go...have it stand on its own, without getting into the LB 775 issue. And I recognize, to some degree, I would start a hornets' nest, because I also have supported LB 775 and still do. I was uncertain as to what the economic revenue loss would be when I first introduced the bill. I didn't know whether it was half a million, or 500...well, not 500, but \$100 million. When it came in at 1.5 to \$2 million,