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going to be a money-making convention, Senator, haven't...isn't that what you heard, that it's going to make money?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Money making in the sense that it generates a broad base of benefits and that that broad...benefits being described as the results of economic activity and that that is a net plus.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, but they don't expect the convention center itself to operate as a profit. When you going to look for that...you got to go out to these multipliers and turnovers of money being spent other places than at this convention center?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Well, Senator, I...I find it difficult to state what their expectations are because, quite frankly, on a very...on a personalized basis, I don't know what their expectations are. As I responded to earlier questions, we've had this discussion about whether this thing will...these kinds of activities generate anything that you would say is an operating surplus or not. That's the...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But didn't they say that it's going to; that they expect it to?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: I don't recall that they did, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Maybe they didn't say it to you all because you all are too savvy, but part of the reason I'm saying what I'm saying is because in Omaha they're giving the impression that this is not going to lose money like the Orpheum and some of these other activities that...these operations that go on right now.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Well, again, Senator, maybe I should have clipped it out, but I recall an article that appeared in what is euphemistically characterized as a major newspaper in the state of Nebraska and it didn't...as I recall, the article didn't indicate that there were going to be, at least in any near term, any operating surpluses.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, the Kearney Hub probably didn't have