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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...bothered if everybody wants to leave the floor. There is a very interested group of people out there in what we performers...on occasion I sing on the floor, what we performers refer to as TV land, who are very interested in this project, especially since they're becoming aware of the fact that there is no arena. The World-Herald wrote not the best of articles but one which gave some notion of what really is before us here in the Legislature. And people are coming to understand what general obligation bonds are and how much of a pipe dream it is to say that enough tax revenue is going to be generated by this convention center to justify kicking back \$75 million to the city of Omaha.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, when I refer to the kickback, it is something referred to by those who favor this project as throwback. Some of the things that I will ask Senator Landis about when we get to an amendment and his principles will allow him to answer questions are some of these various things that I'm mentioning now because he wrote or brokered the agreement that put this amendment before us, the committee amendments. Now subsection (5) on page 3 of the committee amendments defines eligible facility. And anybody who's interested should look at that because it is not necessary that Omaha build a building. Omaha can acquire an already existing structure and it can substantially reconstruct it, but it doesn't have to do that. Just acquire a facility for this purpose. So let's say there's some building that some big shot has and wants to sell it or dump it. The city could acquire it and at least bring itself within the perimeters of this bill. But you will not get the full picture of what an eligible facility is simply by reading the definition. But it would be good to become familiar with that because that is going to be the key to a lot of things. Now the amendment that I had offered which was voted down and which I'm moving to reconsider is Section 2 which contains findings. Now I don't know if Senator Landis wrote these findings, but this is very misleading. What these findings suggest is that the only thing