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point where, you know, maybe I had 50 employees. And that still...I still couldn't do that, even though I was adding to the workforce, I still couldn't...still couldn't capture some of these incentives then, as long as...if I was...well, long as I was selling at a...like at...right over the counter, the products that I was making. You know I'm...and it's a little different than just a McDonald's, I realize that. But I can't understand why, if I started out, you know, from scratch and didn't have any money and this was really going to help me, who knows, this could grow. I mean McDon...let's face it, McDonald's got started somewhere, too. Look what happened to them.

SENATOR MATZKE: Well, I can...I think you raise an interesting question. This is the language that has been used in the economic development statutes. I'm advised that these issues have never presented problems. I think that probably your family lawyer could set up two different businesses, maybe two different corporations, one a retail, one a wholesale operation, and your wholesale operation would qualify. There are probably ways to adjust that.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR JANSSEN: So there's...

SENATOR MATZKE: I'm not trying to make a record on this issue, because I think every case would sort of have to stand on its own. But the purpose of this is to prevent the large fast-food franchises from getting tax benefits under this bill because they don't need them. They are very successful, it's a very competitive market, and they do not actually bring business into the state.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Yeah, Senator Matzke, I'm glad you said that because I do worry about some of the larger corporations in this state taking away from independent businesses in the state. Sometimes the things we wish for in large corporations come back to ruin our rural population, too. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Janssen. On the Chambers amendment, Senator Bourne.