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SENATOR MATZKE: If they want to start a business, they have the right to do that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Members of the Legislature, why then doesn't McDonald's have the right to open a business? What Senator Matzke does not understand about his own bill, brothers and sisters, from what I've heard him say, is that it does not deal with competition between businesses. We're not worried about one business coming here and being given these incentives because so many others want to come here. You've got a situation where nobody, apparently, wants to start a business and you got to lure them. So there's no exchange back and forth like if we give you this to come here, what benefits are you going to give to the state and the workers? Well, under this bill the wage doesn't have to be anything...it can be substandard, no insurance benefits, no benefits whatsoever, and you make it open to me, if I'm a billionaire. Let me ask Senator Matzke a question. Senator Matzke,...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Matzke.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...if I want to hire more than 100 employees in a rural area, can I do it under this bill, if I'm already operating under LB 775 in Omaha?

SENATOR MATZKE: No, you have to...well, yes and no. If you are expanding the employment into a county where it's qualified, you can do that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: All right. Now, if I want to make garments and I can get cheaper workers in rural Nebraska, I can open my garment factory in rural Nebraska, pay low wages and qualify under this bill, if I create enough jobs, can't I?

SENATOR MATZKE: Well, that's the reason for the 125 percent protection, to protect exactly against what you're saying.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, but here's what...

SENATOR MATZKE: We don't want people to think they can come to Valentine, Nebraska and hire people cheaper.