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especially when I see only a record of incompetency and failure by those who are to do this work, too. I'm not talking about the members of the Legislature now. I'll get to them later on this evening. I'm dealing with the outsiders now, so I'm going to listen very carefully and see if somebody explains to be precisely why what Senator Bourne is offering will submarine the program. If it destroys the program or would keep it from doing as it should do, I would not support what he's offering, but I haven't been shown that yet.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Further debate on the Bourne amendment? Senator Brown, followed by Senators Jones, Kristensen, Bourne, Brashear, Hilgert, Smith and Chambers. Senator Brown.

SENATOR BROWN: Mr. President, members, once again I will go back to what I think is the most important issue that is before us. What is the policy that should be most important in making this decision? The policy should be how we promote good management of the program because this program working is critical to the taxpayers of the state of Nebraska, but mostly critical to the children. And I've been asked, and Senator Kristensen has been asked to prove a negative, show why it can't work. Well, I guess then proving that negative is that management, that the person that we are holding accountable for managing it, in this case the State Treasurer, needs to be able to manage the people that he has working for him. And if it is his estimation that people working together in the same space, and someone raised an issue about collocation and, yes, I believe that it is his intention to colocate the customer service people with the SDU, itself, so that those people are working together. If that is what is going to promote the best management, then that...then we should allow that to be done. I, you know, I think that economic development is critical. I think you all know that. I think it's critical for urban areas, I think it's critical for rural areas. I supported some of the rural economic development. I understand the idea behind this and I think it's a good idea, and I'd love to experiment with it, but I'm not going to experiment with the children of the state of Nebraska in this regard. And I think that what Senator Brashear raised as some issues are very important. When we were talking about Senator Matzke's bill, we were talking about what