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could come up with, and they were rejected. And this bill that is before us today to extend the life of the Micron bill is aimed at maintaining those concessions granted when Nebraska was prostrate before Micron, and Micron laughed at Nebraska. But here's where Micron was smart. Micron, by flirting with Nebraska and Oklahoma, caused the Utah Legislature to pass a sales tax break for Micron. They were not going to leave Utah anyway. They had everything that they needed right...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...there in Utah.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Wickersham, on the Chambers amendment.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Mr. President, I ask that the body oppose Senator Chambers' amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Wickersham. Senator Chambers, your light is next.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, Senator Wickersham merely asked that you oppose it. You need to show him that you don't get every thing you ask for. I'm demanding that you accept my amendment. We will see whether he gets more by merely asking quietly than I get by demanding, and if he does, he will have demonstrated concretely why I must pursue the course that I do, not just from the standpoint of Senator Wickersham, because he and I both took a bath during the discussion of Micron, but the business people can whisper very quietly, like a still small voice, and the senators begin to strain to hear what the business people are saying. And once they hear it, then they carry it out, but not so with me. I can give all kind of logical, reasonable arguments. Senator Wickersham can discuss from geometry principles that would show that the bill was asking for far more than was needed for the purported purpose, and he got a good licking also. So when there are people who can do things through whispering softly, they should only whisper softly. If I could whisper softly and achieve my goals, I would be talking like this (whispering) all the time. But that doesn't work for me. I would tell people that whatever can