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based in part on the likelihood of the project attracting new cultural, civic, or convention activity to Nebraska from outside of Nebraska. A project with greater out-of-state draw shall be preferred over a project with less impact; (2) Socioeconomic impact. The project's potential for long-term positive impacts on the local and regional economy and society;" that's the second factor. Third, "Financial support. Assistance from the fund shall be matched at least equally from local sources. At least eighty percent of the local match must be in cash. Projects with a higher level of local matching funds shall be preferred as compared to those with a lower level of matching funds." Four, "Readiness. The applicants fiscal and economic capacity to finance the local share and ability to proceed and implement its plan and operate the convention center." That's the fourth factor. And we talked a little bit about the fact that maybe there should be a fifth factor saying you only get one bite of the apple regardless of how many convention centers, quote, unquote, you think you can develop in your community. So I just put that forward for your information. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Vrtiska.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I think most of you know that I didn't support the original convention center bill, but I have to tell you that some of my colleagues that I visited with while we were having this discussion on the bill at the time appeared the only reason they would support it was simply what is happening right now, and that is that a little piece of the pie was going to be fed back out to the rural areas that they represented. Had that not happened, I don't think this bill would have ever passed. I don't know that, but that's my feeling. So I think what we're really talking about is a deal is a deal, and all of a sudden it's not a deal, and I don't think that's the proper way to go. I understand what Senator Raikes is saying as well as anybody else. I think that we make lots of commitments or lots of...yeah, commitments, and sometimes we don't follow through like we should. But this is an issue I think that, again, there was support generated for this bill because a piece of the pie was going out into some of the rural areas, and I just can't believe that now we're all of a sudden going to say, well, the