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SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: ...if we didn't have them, and where we want to go together in the future, because we may not only be dealing with this kind of an economy once. Just as we've already dealt with it, we may have to deal with it more. I...we have...I have no particular input with regard to division one, except as I've already told Senator Landis, there is an issue that we may want to clarify, what the effective date of this act is as it relates to all of the existing applications, to avoid any confusion. I don't think there is any confusion, but we'll look at it. That would be the only issue that could be dealt with on Select File. I thank you for your time and look forward to our continuing dialog together about these really critical subjects. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Brashear. Senator Bourne.

SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you, Senator Bromm and members. I always hate following Senator Brashear. I don't know if anybody else here has that same feeling. But, anyway, I rise in support of LB 775. I think that that program has probably done as much or more for our state than anything else we have. I think, as Senator Brashear mentioned, that this will be one of the most...the most important bills that we discuss this entire session, perhaps, next to the budget. With that being said, I appreciate what Senator Landis is talking about. I hold coffees in my district, pretty much on a monthly basis, and that is...this subject, LB 775 reform, is probably foremost in my constituents' minds. But I think that some of that clamor for reform is based on maybe lack of information or maybe lack of understanding. I kind of want to go through some of the numbers of what LB 775 has done. And Senator Landis might be able to argue these numbers and that's fine. This is a discussion. But since 1987, when LB 775 was adopted, over 72,000 new jobs have been created. As I understand it, there's about 23,000 jobs that are planned under pending applications and \$16 billion has been invested by the private sector since 1987. Average new job salaries of more than \$35,000 today, when they were \$28,000 in 1987 when the program was adopted. The point that I'm trying to make is, we can argue about...around the edges of how to best