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otherwise be, private sector jobs, this is something that we want to promote. And so as we make the decisions about the details, and each one of these details is going to be its own discussion, we have to do it in the context of the broader picture. The other thing that we have to know...

SPEAKER BROMM: Time.

SENATOR BROWN: Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Brown. Senator Thompson.

SENATOR THOMPSON: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. I rise to support this amendment, but also to try to put a little of this in context for me, and I hope it might be helpful for you. States haven't always been in the economic development business. In fact, we didn't have an Economic Development Department until 1967 in this state. And the history of this is, of course, that states started competing with each other to keep businesses and attract businesses, and that's when we got in the business of this type of subsidy which we're talking about today. In 1994, of all the governmental subdivisions in the country that had these types of incentives, only six of them had standards for the jobs. But as of the year 2000, 37 states had in place standards that, at least in one of their economic development programs, according to the study of wage levels, health insurance requirements, and the full-time hours discussion that was brought to the initial overview of this bill by Senator Landis. So I think it is appropriate as a state that we look at the fact that we should be creating quality jobs with the money that we take from our taxpayers to offset these. And I don't think we should not have these types of programs in place. We need to have these programs in place. And anecdotally, we know that part of the funds that we've used have been helpful to attracting business and quality jobs. But it's time to bring that forward, get in line with the other majority of states in the country that say, we need to have this type of standard so that we ensure that we're bringing the types of jobs that help us in our tax situation, help people get quality jobs, and have some standards for those jobs. The reason...I've never spoken on this in the years we've talked about it before, but it