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when I got off the floor yesterday, I called my payroll service and I had them fax me all of my payroll information for my store so far this year. I took every employee in my store, every single employee, the number of hours that they've worked. I multiplied it out. I did the percent...it was a percentage increase. It was a 10.4 percent increase. I gave everybody a 10.4 percent increase. I recalculated my profit sharing, because I pay 10 percent profit sharing on top of their wage, recalculated the extra social security expenses, and what would you guess it came out? What do you think it's going to cost a little store in rural Nebraska to raise the minimum wage 60 cents? And I used the 60-cent figure, by the way. The \$5.75 an hour is what I calculated it to. My little store, for that 60-cent raise, is \$15,806.44. Now on the floor yesterday I heard many times that this little amount isn't going to hurt any business, no businesses will go out of business, but I tend to differ. I have one employee that the 60 cents raise is actually going to cost me \$1.37 for that person; another employee, it's going to cost 99 cents; another one 90 cents. At the very minimum, it's going to cost 65 cents because of the social security increase. But \$15,800 a year for a small business in rural Nebraska to do this. You know, when you truly understand these numbers, you've got to understand prices are going to go up. We talked about insurance yesterday. Insurance has gone up the last two years 20 to 25 percent per year. Now how long do you think small business can continue to do that? We heard yesterday that by increasing the minimum wage we're going to get people off of government programs. Well, I'm going to tell you that business is not going to be able to afford insurance anymore and you're going to put more people on government programs. You know, we heard that...or at least I read in the paper this morning that by raising the minimum wage it's going to...it's going to be an economic boon for Nebraska. But when you increase the cost of one small business \$15,800 a year and you multiply that all across the state of Nebraska, you tell me it's going to be an economic boon? I don't think so. I guess all I could do is ask you to please consider these numbers. When you're thinking about this, I know in your heart it seems like it's the right thing to do, but is it really going to help the people you're trying to help? Is it really going to help them? Consider the numbers. A business has one of three