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say more? Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Janssen, on the bracket motion.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Members of the Legislature, Senator Chambers, I'm glad to see you've got your wind back from the last battle you had in Philadelphia, which probably didn't affect you too much and I'm glad to see you back in form. I really appreciate that. You know, us older fellows have to stick together on keeping in shape. I've been pretty quiet on this whole bill, and I've sat back and listened and as I've told you before, I don't have much of a future left anywhere anymore, and I think I'm just kind of biding my time, but I have a compassion for small farms, small businesses, small schools, small legislatures. I think they work fine. This country was built on that perception of helping each other and keeping our small communities and our large cities very viable, and a few of those things that have been part of our nature in this state have been the small town drug stores, the small town hardware stores. And I'm talking about small towns. I'm not talking about a town of two, three hundred people. I'm talking about cities of 10, 15, 20 thousand, and I've watched what has happened to some of those communities, along with the small farm. Senator Cunningham, I know you're going to have a big fight on this bracket motion, but I believe I'm going to support that. In my thinking, I can't remember a time, I could be wrong, probably am, I am a lot, that we have ever raised our minimum wage before the federal government has set that standard. And I can see some of the problems that would be associated with our state going over the top of the feds at this time. We are all obligated to put these signs in businesses that shows what the minimum wage is and the regulations from the federal government. Well, we would have to change all of those and then, if the federal government did come back and raise that minimum wage, why, I...then they would have to be changed again, and everyone would have to be notified. I think we're getting...I slept on this last night and thought about it. I think...I think we're getting the cart ahead of the horse just a little bit. And, Senator Beutler, Senator Schimek, Senator Chambers, I appreciate what you're doing. You've worked very