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customer counts. Further, it will result in less hiring at the entry level positions, which penalize the minimum wage workers the most. I will be supporting the bracket motion. I really feel that we will probably be hurting those the most that we are actually trying to help. Thank you, and I give the rest of my time back to the Chair.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Stuhr. Senator Cunningham, on your motion to bracket.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Well, thank you, Senator Cudaback and members. Senator Chambers expressed his thoughts about me and my conflict of interest, and he's probably right. I probably shouldn't be telling about my own personal experiences. But I only do it as a...to make an example for you, because I do live that every day and I am a typical small business owner across Nebraska. And if it isn't for people like me telling that side of the story, who is going to tell that side of the story? And I assume that Common Cause will probably come down and they'll say I have a conflict of interest, but I've filed my conflict of interest statement and this is the business I'm in. And who else is going to represent that side of the issue? So I just need to clear that up. I don't think it's any different than a farmer voting on agricultural issues or lawyers voting on judicial issues. It is absolutely no different. You know, if you...yesterday, I was also accused of using five-year-old numbers and that was true. Those numbers four or five years old, but the numbers I use this morning are current numbers from this year. I got them immediately after I left the floor yesterday. I came in early this morning to run the calculations and anybody that wants to come up, I can show you exactly what I did and how I did it. I don't really want to pass my own payroll information around the floor, but I'd be willing to share it with anybody that wanted to talk about it. And I really do hope that you will consider this and vote to bracket this bill until next year.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Cunningham. The issue before the body is a bracket motion till January 1, '04, to LB 435. Those wishing to talk are Senators Mines, Chambers, Schimek, and Tyson. Senator Mines.