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of the state regarding employment, and we've already seen that developed here on the floor of the Legislature when we talked about the meat packing business and the Governor's and the legislators' effort to make that work environment more user friendly, if you will. I think there are going to be some ongoing problems there. With the Indian Commission, I believe that they have very, very, very unique problems because of their particular legal status and their sovereignty status, and those are multiple issues that I believe are not going to be solved anytime soon. I'm talking about taxation issues, I'm talking about disputes over who has charge of law enforcement, all kinds of things that I believe that the Indian Commission can help negotiate and bring people together on some of those issues. So I think it's important and it really will save us a lot of headaches and probably a lot of money in the long run if we have these commissions in place. I don't think the need for them is going to go away anytime soon, and I thank Senator Chambers for bringing this amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Chair would recognize Senator Aguilar.

SENATOR AGUILAR: Thank you, Mr. President. Members, I also would like to thank Senator Chambers for bringing this forward. Speaking directly, you know, to the Mexican-American Commission, as I stated in a letter to the Appropriations Committee when they were talking about cutting these funds, I said, you know, you need to sit in my office for a while and monitor the amount of phone calls I get from Latinos throughout the state. Simply because of my last surname, they choose my number first and hope that they can get some help, and the majority of those phone calls I get I refer to the Mexican-American Commission, and they've been extremely helpful in resolving a lot of the problems that come from throughout the state. And also speaking of the Indian Commission, I'm sure that their agency does the same thing. They have to field an enormous amount of phone calls and are very helpful. The Hispanic population, or Latino if you prefer, is the largest growing minority population in the state, and I think, you know, with a lot of the new immigration, you know, we as a state need to do what we can to welcome these people and to have them make the necessary adjustments to become