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Erdman, can I have your attention for just a second?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Did you...

SENATOR HARTNETT: When I came to the Legislature, I was slated to go on the Appropriations Committee but something happened and I ended up on the Revenue Committee, which maybe changed my life as far as this body is concerned, and my advice would be for you, the next year...time around, because I think you have a great interest in that, is to try to caucus your caucus to get on the Appropriations Committee. And maybe I would have been a different person because of where I ended up as that. I've always, because I've been on the Revenue Committee, I've been kind of a pusher for revenue and income tax, and Senator Jensen mentions again today that people are going to leave the state because of the high taxes. It's interesting, the people at his coffee shop are different than the people at my coffee shop, because mine don't make the income, because any time we raise our state income tax, unless you have an income over \$139,500, it's an offset against the federal taxes. So if you pay more state taxes it goes the other way. So Senator Jensen must have all those people with high income taxes in his state, and I hope they're not moving to Nevada or to Arizona, because their state taxes per thousand is higher, Senator Jensen, than Nebraska, and if we raise them a little bit. But some good news, people. From the Forbes magazine this year, 2000 (sic), best places for business and careers, number seven in the list this year is Omaha, Nebraska, and it's in 19...2002 it was ranked 89th according to Forbes magazine. In 2001 it ranked 49th. Why the change, did we go from those high numbers to a low number so it's a very...place to live, is because they put into another factor. It's done by a group out of west... economy.com, a West Chester, Pennsylvania, based economy and financial research firm. They gave special attention to doing the cost of doing business, which includes the price of labor, energy, taxes of all things, and office space. In the cost of doing business index as you compare other cities, we are second in that area because it must not be bad according...as we compare to other states with those factors. So that's a bit of good news, I think, is because when you figure that in that Omaha is number seventh in the list of best places for businesses and careers.