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SENATOR ENGEL: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, the way I understand Senator Bourne's amendment, we're not requiring anyone to use the labor here from Nebraska, the contracts from Nebraska. They're just allowing it. That's the way I understand it. So I can't see, personally, just listening to the debate, I can't see anything wrong with that, just allowing them to bid on these projects. Of course, the way...in reading everything here, I don't know where it disallows it now, but as far as the way I understand his amendment, it just allows them. And as far as I'm concerned, and anybody building...bidding on contracts, if they get the contract, usually there's a time frame in there when it has to be built. There's penalty clauses if it's not built in time, et cetera, et cetera, et cetera, so that would apply to any contractor who gets the...who bids on this, regardless whether they're Minnesota or Kansas or from Nebraska. So I personally don't see anything wrong with Senator Bourne's amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Engel. Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. Again, I'm going to be very brief. I do stand up with Senator Bourne and I believe that we need to defeat this amendment, and he has an amendment coming up later, I believe it's AM2251, that does the same thing, just puts it back in that we make sure that we let Nebraska companies bid on the project. It's just like Senator Engel said. There's nothing that says we have to give them the bid. It's just we have to let them bid. And if they're competitive, they need to do the work, and I believe that's only fair and so I definitely support Senator Bourne's concept and with that, Senator Bourne, I would yield my time.

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Bourne.

SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you, Senator Cunningham.

SPEAKER BROMM: You have four minutes.

SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you. Thank you, Senator Cunningham, for