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nonexperienced Nebraska contractor if there is a comparable experienced non-Nebraska builder. So again, there's nothing in here that forces an ethanol plant producer to use Nebraska people. It simply opens the door to allow Nebraskans to bid, and the opportunity to work on these plants. To me, this is just...this is common sense, this is logical. If we're giving away \$20 million to \$30 million over the life of a plant, we should at least provide the opportunity for some of that money to stay here in Nebraska for workers to have the opportunity to bid on these contracts. Again, that's my amendment. If you have any questions, I'd be happy to answer them. I'd just urge your adoption...your green vote of AM2251 to the committee amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Bourne. You've heard the opening on AM2251, offered by Senator Bourne to the committee amendments to LB 479. Open for discussion on the Bourne amendment. Senator Connealy, followed by Senator Kremer. Senator Connealy.

SENATOR CONNEALY: Thank you, Mr. President, members. I rise in support of this amendment. This brings the bill back to part of what the Revenue Committee put out as a bill, and also the Kremer section of the bill that would be technical, clean up the end dates, make it so that you have to produce for thirty days instead of just one day, sets a drop-dead date, to some extent, on when the...and cleans up the end of the cycle on June of this year for plants to qualify for credits. Once again, we are burdened by success, have lots of applications for this fund. This sets the end and cleans it up. It still leaves in what the Revenue Committee wanted to do, send a message that we want Nebraska labor and Nebraska companies involved wherever possible. I think that's a good part of the bill, and I'm glad it's back in. I urge your support of this amendment, and then moving the bill.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Connealy. Senator Kremer, on the Bourne amendment.

SENATOR KREMER: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I'd like to ask Senator Bourne a couple of questions, I guess.