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contractor, I'd want some time line assurances in there.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Okay. Thank you very much.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Vrtiska. Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Thank you, Senator Cudaback and members. I do stand up in support of Senator Bourne's amendment. I've been very pro-business, and am very pro-business, but I do, like Senator Bourne, I think that when we're spending this amount of money, we need to try to do all we can to keep more of that money in the state of Nebraska. And as I read this amendment, it's just the intent that we give them the chance to bid on the project. I think that there's more than just the money that goes into this, too. I think that the intent is there that they can look at timeliness and everything. But we definitely need to do this, and I'm strong support of this. Senator Bourne, would you like some time? I'd give my time to...no? I'll turn my time back to the Chair.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Cunningham. Senator Janssen, on the Bourne amendment to the Revenue Committee amendment, AM0852.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature. Senator Bourne, I'm sure you know that I am supporting your amendment. I'd like to talk a little bit about what happens to those dollars that are generated in this state. Now, if you have out-of-state construction workers coming in here...and I realize that the state of Minnesota probably has the best companies to build these things. But they're not going to bring all of their people here if there are qualified plumbers, steam fitters, et cetera, in this state to work on those projects. On the other hand, you realize, if someone from the state of Nebraska is working on that particular project, those dollars, 90 percent of the time, that they receive in wages, are spent in our communities. And if you look at some economic...what the turnaround of dollars in this state, a lot of times we figure from five to seven times those dollars will turn in a community. The people that work as steam fitters and