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amount of lodging tax funds, which they have discussed and they may be interested in contributing to the matching funds for a State Fair. So, so long as the city gets together with other entities and with private sources, and as long as the total contribution from the community, whether or not the city puts it forth from its own coffers as opposed to encourages a local citizen to contribute private funds, doesn't matter. It doesn't matter where the money comes from, as long as it's a local person, corporation, public entity that's contributing to this from within the county, right?

SENATOR BOURNE: That's correct, Senator Beutler. That was language that Senator Landis and I had agreed to so that it would recognize funds from sources other than the city's coffers, for lack of a better word.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. Senator, that's my only question and I'm glad to hear that that's the answer because providing that kind of maximum flexibility to the community is very helpful to us in helping the State Fair along the way. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Combs.

SENATOR COMBS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members of the body. I rise in support of Senator Bourne's amendment and I don't think I'm opposed to Senator Chambers' contribution to the amendment because I do believe that Lincoln needs to give a little bit in terms of part...an investment into what they have been profiting from for so many years and stand to profit even more from if the State Fair is given a new shot of energy. You know, it kind of needs a B-12 shot. If you read the comments, and I thank Senator Chambers for sending this around because it did remind me of some other points that I wanted to make about the State Fair. One was...is a lady named Calico who was commenting on Pat Lloyd's coming over to that exposition. She says, fairs must be relevant to survive, and they will always be relevant if they are reflecting...reflective of their community. So Lincoln is being asked right now to make a long-overdue investment to help ensure a larger return on our state investment that they are home to, and I think that's entirely appropriate. I know when my parents first moved here from