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Deere is unwilling to transfer the franchise, that John Deere has to, within 60 days, give written notice as to why.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Correct.

SENATOR SCHROCK: And that's it. It's that simple.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: That...it's pretty much that simple. I mean, they have a list. Let me give you a little background information. In my area, the constituent I'm talking about is a very major dealership in the area, employs somewhere around 25 to 30 people in a town of 700 people. He's the biggest Case-IH dealership in the area. The manufacturer, quite frankly, would like to eliminate him, when he sells, and turn the franchise over to an existing dealer in South Dakota. So all of northeast Nebraska would lose this, this valuable business. It's valuable for the farmers who depend on that for their implement and their repair work, and it's valuable for the city of Crofton and all of northeast Nebraska for economic development. So we're just asking, if they want to deny the franchise, that they put it in writing of why they are denying the franchise.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Yeah. I'm not opposed to what you're trying to do. I'm not quite sure what you're accomplishing. But, given that set of circumstances, I'll support your bill.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Well, thank you, Senator Schrock.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schrock. Senator Landis, followed by Senator Chambers.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I'm probably going to vote for this bill, but understand what we've got here. What we've got is two parties who are party to a contract, who write that contract and agree to that contract, who say, wait a second, let's go to the Legislature to get them to write, essentially, terms for our contract for us. I wonder how on other days we're going to feel about that. We're going to have arguments, I think, that the Legislature is overstepping itself when it steps into the private sector to make those kinds of rules. And understand what's happening here. Two relatively