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cohesive policy to do this. I think we need to structure; hopefully, the Revenue Committee will come out with a package that will include economic development, and there needs to be a place within that economic development that includes the rural areas of our state. I do not believe that this is an appropriate way to attack the problem. I understand, and Senator Cunningham knows where I'm coming from on this. It's a concern about a total picture. We are now in the process, and I alluded to this when I talked about the Nebraska critical access hospitals. I don't have any objection to the funding for that. I think it's a needed thing. But at some point, we need to have a picture of where we are trying to go as a state. And I do not believe that this parceling method of determining economic development is a way that we should be doing. We're going to consider very shortly in our Appropriations Committee, economic development through the DED of the state. We need to have a central clearinghouse for all of these development policies, and certainly we have Rural Development Commission concerns. We did not initially fund the Rural Development Commission this year. What's been happening, however, is that rural development has been paid for out of DED's budget, and they've been accomplishing the same thing. They probably can't keep doing that. But we do need...we do need rural economic development. We need to move our state forward, but is this the way to do it? I think that we should not take this one at a time. I'm very interested in the bill that Senator Stuhr has that talks about creating a fund and then a grant process. But how many of these programs can we go into? We're just not approaching this right, in my mind. I think we should consider, certainly, what Senator Stuhr has in mind and see if we could do that. But please, let's look at the fact that we do not have endless numbers of dollars to work with in this state, and we need to use those dollars in the most effective manner. I think economic development is essential to our state. We know that we're losing some of the real movers and shakers in our state to other states because of job opportunities, and that's part of it. I know we're losing population in the rural portions of our state because there are not...there are not opportunities for them economically. But we need to approach this in a more cohesive manner than taking it one bill at a time. And for that reason, not that these are bad ideas, but I...we simply can't afford to