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will listen to the body's desire on this, and maybe there are other members who have some experience in this area that would like to speak on this topic that could kind of shed some light on whether or not this is adequate or whether this is accurately laid out according to their experience in other states and what other laws have. Ultimately, though, my concern is that we're introducing new topics to a bill, even though it is related. Whether or not this information would actually be timely, and I think that's the key point...this information would not probably be timely in the purpose of this study, but I think it's a part of this overall plan, if you will, that needs to be looked at. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Erdman. Further discussion, Senator Cunningham, followed by Senator Jensen.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Thank you, Senator Cudaback and members. I would stand up and say, Senator Synowiecki, that I'm not 100 percent positive what I'm doing on this amendment, but I am listening and very strongly considering voting for this amendment. Many of you probably think that goes against where I normally am on these issues. But I want to make a disclosure first. Senator Synowiecki did talk about Wal-Mart many times, and all of you in here know that I work for an association that does research on the impacts of stores of that nature, so I want to make that disclosure publicly before I say anything. But Senator Synowiecki talked about a few states where Wal-Mart was the biggest corporate user. I believe it is now 9 states that has been found. I have checked several months ago on whether we could do that in Nebraska, and we don't have that kind of information, the way I understand it, that we could get it here. But when we were in the Health Committee and we were discussing this bill, Senator Byars had some very grave concerns, and I told him then that I would support everything that had to do with a true study of Medicaid, and I guess this is part of a true study. And I guess what concerns me, and I'll be very fair up-front, the benefits that Wal-Mart pays, I don't know that they're any different than a smaller entity. A lot of smaller businesses in this state don't pay health insurance, and I would say that Wal-Mart does. It's just that the amount of hours they offer for a full-time job there are quite small, and for the pay