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gotten out there that far, now you got to go through with it. You can't do any more damage than you've done already. That's what they tell athletes who have an injury, but the athlete is important to the team. So they will tell him, you may have pain, but play through the pain, because the injury is such that you cannot make it any worse than what it is. Instead of saying, we want to rest you and make sure that this does not become a career-ending injury for you, they're looking in the short term at maybe a particular game. So they tell the athlete, we want you to risk your overall health because you cannot damage this any further. Maybe true, maybe not. Sometimes people have gone so deep into a thing that they've got to go all the way, because they say, it is no farther going forward than it is for me to come back to where I started. But sometimes, to go back to where you started would put you in better stead, because there is credibility that goes along with that. When the Chairman of the Revenue Committee tells us that we ought to...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...change the way we do things and the way we handle tax revenue, to help one company, and tells us that we ought to treat this retail establishment in the way that no other retail establishments have been treated, it calls into question what that Revenue Committee is about. Because it took more than the Chairman's vote to get this bill out here. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Janssen, followed by Senator Schimek.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature. You know, you look back several years ago, when Cabela's first started their little operation. And I've heard that story, as most of you have, about how they started in their garage, wrapping fish flies, or one thing and another, and they would peddle those things throughout...you know, in the neighborhoods. They'd get hardware stores to sell them, and so on. And of course, their business grew. It grew and it grew. And they have been a great asset to the state of Nebraska, you