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SENATOR CHAMBERS: And for every business that goes, there will be (singing) one child born in this world to carry on, to carry on. (Laugh) Thank you, Mr. President.

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

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes. Thank you, Mr. President, members. I yield my time to Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. And Mr. President, I'm sure...and thank you, Senator Schimek...it was on condition that I not do any more singing. And I'm going to abide by that unspoken request. What Senator Janssen and I were going through, in agony, step by painful step, is what can befall some of these businesses that will be affected negatively. I'd like to ask Senator Janssen another question or two along that line.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Janssen.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Janssen, as a general principle or rule, would you say this Legislature on the whole could be considered a pro-business body?

SENATOR JANSSEN: For an agricultural state, yes, I would say we are pro-business.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If this that is being envisioned by LB 500 is done, would that indicate that the Legislature is pro-certain businesses of a certain size, rather than in favor of all businesses having a fair shot?

SENATOR JANSSEN: Well, we continue to try to help small businesses throughout the state. But it seems like it's always harder to do something for the small mom and pop operations than it is for the large corporations.