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other states like Florida are very active in their state legislatures, having standing committees for military affairs, in the case of Florida, in an effort to recapture some of the space industry business already lost to other states. Other rural states like North Dakota, Montana, Alabama, have developed strategic plans and actively lobby in Washington, D.C. and their legislature for their military bases. What my point is, is we can make a difference. We can make a difference in supporting our base, which is one of our largest employers, and we can make a difference in regards to this legislation in growing our missions. We will be looked at in regards to what we have in regards to support industry when it comes to assigning missions to the base. I'm going to read a couple of other statements that have come out of BRAC. As the country's military needs have changed over the years, many of the country's 425 bases and several thousand smaller outposts have had to reinvent themselves today to fulfill a far different role. The lesson learned as the governments prepare a new...for a new round of base closing, it is the posts that adapt that have survived. We as a state need to adapt to our needs of...that our military present, and what those needs are, are support industries for the missions we are trying to attract: space command, counterterrorism, the weather center, and the new finance center that we are being looked at for the base. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Cornett. Mr. Speaker, please...Mr. Clerk, rather. Sorry.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to amend Senator Cornett's amendment with FA448. (Legislative Journal pages 672-673.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Chambers, to open.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this is an amendment which, if you look on your gadget, you will see embraces what I was discussing with Senator Cornett. She made a reference to some federal regulations, and what I would do is add, after the number 6 in line 26 on page 7, "as such provisions existed on the effective date of this act." And what