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considering tax cuts that give these people peanuts, nothing, yet we're considering giving people from Colorado a special tax break to get them back here to Nebraska. I helped an old woman with her taxes, in her eighties, lives in a nursing home, lives on Social Security and her crop share on 100 acres of farmland. She ended up owing the state \$3, \$3. You know, I was tempted to just creatively find another exemption and wipe it right off of her form. But you know what? We wrote out a check for \$3. Why? Because that old woman wanted to do her part. And yet, we're considering a tax break for high-income earners just because they think they deserve it. The fiscal note on this bill estimates 500 workers involved, and we have spent days and days talking about a tax break for them. Omaha Public Schools has about 50 percent of its students qualifying for free and reduced lunches. On the elementary level, that's maybe 13,000 hungry children. We haven't spent ten minutes talking about them. There's something wrong with this picture. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Kopplin. Senator Chambers, followed by Senators Janssen and Cornett. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, observe this morning, and especially Senator Landis, I tried to make this as brief a discussion on this particular amendment as I could. I stated that I felt, having discussed it and explained it, and Senator Cornett agreed with it, that would be all that I would do, but I'd answer questions. And the body has chosen to prolong the debate, which doesn't bother me at all. But since the body is of a mind to do that, I want them to keep this in mind when they feel that I am unnecessarily prolonging debate because I take a certain approach. I think the discussion has been very productive, and I was going to save mine until I got to an amendment whose purpose is to state precisely what it is we're doing. But since Senator Cornett gave the impression that if we don't do this something bad is going to happen, in an article in the Omaha World-Herald, February 25, the headline is: "StratCom contractor to open site near Offutt." BAE--each of those letters is capitalized--BAE Systems, an international defense company with \$170 million in contracts with U.S. Strategic Command, will open a new facility