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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Have you heard of these...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...comparability studies that are undertaken when an attempt is made to set wages for various professions within the state of Nebraska?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Yes, I'm familiar.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And do they try to find states that are similar in size, and other factors that may be listed, to Nebraska when they make that comparison?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Yes, they do, similar in population, similar perhaps in demographics.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And if a tax study of this kind is undertaken, should there be something which would suggest those are factors that ought to be taken into consideration when comparisons are made to other states?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: I think so.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Would the term "nearby states" convey that message?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Not in and of itself.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank...oh.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: It could be made up of states that are nearby, but not necessarily...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: ...comparable.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you.