

employer under workers' compensation. You know, we're all in this together. All the companies are in this together and really the one major reason why I've supported this bill has been the conceptual idea that we want to make Nebraska a better place for business. We want, when a company comes and looks at the State of Nebraska, we want to say we have the lowest premiums on workers' compensation out of all 50 states. I mean, isn't that really the goal here? Isn't that the goal of the business community, to reduce their premiums but, more importantly, reduce all the premiums throughout the state. And if that goal is to reduce the premiums throughout the state so that our average premium cost is the lowest out of all 50 states, then why shouldn't we encourage employers to follow the recommendations of the safety committee that they were a part of? Not only these recommendations, not trivial recommendations, but recommendations that impose, that without these recommendations it places those employees in serious or imminent danger. We have an obligation, if we're not going to put any type of criminal violations or civil violations in for failure to follow this advice, we should at least allow that employee to be the policeman for us because what will probably happen with this is that we'll have an employee or union following an action stating that that employer chose to disregard the recommendations of the safety committee. And, for that reason, I feel that we should adopt the amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: We are waiting the arrival of Senator Janssen. He's the only member that is not here. We will now proceed to vote on the amendment by Senator Abboud. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 5 ayes, 25 nays, Mr. President, on the amendment to the amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: The amendment fails.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next motion I have with respect to the Landis amendment is, Senator Withem.

SPEAKER BAACK: I will raise the call.

CLERK: Senator Withem would move to suspend Rule 6, Section 3, Rule 7, Section 3 and vote on the adoption of the second