

sell the pots and pans, and you get that done in advance, then I will give you a little commission on what you've done. That is the difference. We are saying if you've already done something, if you've created a job we didn't have, if you invested capital that didn't exist then we are going to give you, on a one-time, short-term basis, a reasonably modest tax incentive, but, but only if you made money. You can't even use it if you didn't make money. Now Senator Johnson did mention one thing. He said this could cost the state a million or two million dollars. And my answer to that is I pray to God it costs more. Now why? Because it is something you didn't have in the first place. So if you spend a million, it is a million, it is a million that resulted from many millions of income, new jobs, new activity. So there is a distinct difference between this and every other, every other tax incentive program you are ever going to be offered on this floor. This is, as I say, you perform and you give us something we don't have at all, and we'll give you a little bit of the action. It's my kind of business. I think it's okay, particularly if you've got something going and you're trying to expand, you are trying to get a product going, you're trying to get a sale made, and that is what we're trying here. Now, finally, with respect to the business climate here I think, with the ~~at~~ things, we can have a good business climate. And I use the word business climate because business climate is the most important thing to business, not the tax incentives one way or another. Business climate...

SENATOR CARSTEN: One minute.

SENATOR DECAMP: Business climate means the environment where somebody is allowed to do something without the government trying to stop them, and without too much harassment. For example, to engage in agriculture, or agricultural activities in an agricultural state. Incidentally, you might consider Initiative 300 in that basket of restrictions. So, overall, this program is distinguishable. And as for the business climate with regard to the various types of things we are talking about here, Inc. Magazine, and I don't say it's a good magazine, a bad magazine, or whatever, it is a business magazine. It ranked as 49th, I repeat ranked as 49 out of the 50 states, in the United States of America, in terms of our business environment and our business climate. So if this program ended up costing any money, all that reflects is that it