

businesses to pay better wages, they increase the ability of industry to operate in a healthy economy, it increases the ability of individuals to pay the taxes that are necessary to support this government, which we want. I'm not...I know that I can offer this amendment without offending Senator Wesely but I would just want to point out that he raised some questions. Those are questions which will need to be answered the next session. We know the resolution has no force. We know that even the statute, as I said, can be changed, but in the interest of good business we ought to try to be as consistent as possible. And I know that there are those who have conflicted with my interpretation of what that guarantee means from time to time but years ago when we were trying to promote riverfront development in Omaha, Gene Mahoney brought to the Legislature a group of businessmen, one of whom was Peter Kiewit, and he said, Schmit, business only needs two things in a tax policy or in the legislative treatment, we need to be treated equitably and we need to have some stability. And I hope that as we progress through this legislative session and the next one to come that we achieve both of those kind of goals. If there is no objection, Madam President, I ask that the amendment be withdrawn. I still support the resolution.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Schmit. I now recognize Senator Rod Johnson.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Call the question.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Johnson, we do have an amendment on the desk.

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Chambers would move to amend the resolution. (Read the Chambers amendment. See page 108 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President and members of the Legislature, I talked briefly to Senator Wehrbein about this. What this would do is not obligate the next session of the Legislature to take any action. It says the Legislature will consider necessary action. And that's, in reality, all that we can do and it's all we should attempt to do before the fact. Before I proceed with that, I have to comment to what Senator Haberman said after I had spoken my third time and would not