

SENATOR LUNDY: Mr. President, I rise to oppose this amendment. I think Senator Marsh most recently and Senator Sieck just a few moments ago brought out some facts that I think probably the full Legislature should be concerned about, the facts being that you are not cutting, let me repeat, you're not cutting taxes, you are not cutting taxes. You are simply shifting the burden over to the property taxes that you and I pay at the local level because whenever you start cutting what is known as state aid to education, state aid to political subdivisions, it means that there will not be as many dollars going from the Capitol to the counties, to the cities, to the Natural Resources Districts and the many, many other political subdivisions of the State of Nebraska. It just simply means, what is being proposed here now, a shifting of the tax burden, a shifting of the tax burden over to property taxes. And all of us have been talking about property tax relief and this proposal will add to the property taxes that you and I pay at the local level. Please consider these things as you consider this amendment. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Labeledz.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Question.

PRESIDENT: Do I see five hands? I do. I'll put the question to you, shall the debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. There are at least eight other names down for request of time. The motion now before you is, shall the debate cease on the Chambers amendment? Please record your vote. The motion is to cease debate on the Chambers amendment to the DeCamp amendment. Please record your vote. The motion is to cease debate. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Have you all voted on the motion to cease debate? Record the vote, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 19 ayes, 16 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Motion fails and the Chair recognizes Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: (Response inaudible.)

PRESIDENT: Senator DeCamp, do you wish to speak on this amendment?