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SENATOR JONES: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members of the body. I yield my time to Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Coordsen, you have almost five minutes if you care to use them.

SENATOR COORDSEN: What am I going to do for five minutes? I...most of the time I am quite proud to claim the honorable member for...from the 11th District as a friend, but, you know, he mentioned subsidies, which is an interesting thing and I did say, and I believe this today, that whatever any of us get, including LB 775 corporations or any individual here or any person who is receiving any money from taxpayers, ought to have that amount of money published on a regular basis, including whatever our expense reimbursement is, which is, matter of fact, public...public information, I think. The issue...and I wasn't expecting to speak here, but I thank Senator Jones for his time. The issue is one that has escaped discussion all morning. Nebraskans pay about \$2.5 billion in sales and income tax. And Nebraskans pay a billion, seven hundred plus million dollars in property taxes for all of the local government services that are supported by that. So what in the world does that total up to? Close to five...well, more than \$4 billion, certainly \$4.1 billion annually. In Nebraska there are about 30,000 farms. And of those 30,000 farms, there are 50,000 sole proprietorship farms returns, and about twice that many landlords. So we have, probably, 150,000 people out of 1,750,000 paying a fourth of the property taxes in the state of Nebraska. For over 50 years, for over 50 years...and...and this debate in the Legislature is absolute, you could read transcripts and find the same debate going back to 1971. But for 50 years, as our economy has shifted nationally, and less and less money fell to the hands of the food producer, our economy has changed. But for over 50 years we've resisted changing how we support...support local government. Yes, there would be a shift in Madison County. No, the taxes quite probably...the dollars would be the same. But those people today who are not paying anything commensurate with the value of those local government services to them because most of the burden is paid for by the agricultural property owners in