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but I feel that we need LB 285 to correct the inequities that we have in LB 1. If you remember, LB 1 was passed during the special session last year and, of course, this put the 7% limit on that portion of the budget that local governments raised by ad valorem taxes and I think that the local governments are trying to comply with LB 1 and, of course, if we adopt and pass LB 285 this will certainly help them. The inflation rate as it now stands is at about eight or nine percent and maybe even ten percent and with LB 1 some of the local school districts and some of the other subdivisions of government would only be able to raise their budgets by three or four percent and I think this is unfair. I think it is unreal and I think we should try to correct it. Senator Keyes talked about repealing LB 1. I don't think that the people in the State of Nebraska wants this. Some of us Senators here on the floor promised them that we would pass a bill to limit government spending so that we wouldn't get it in the State Constitution, and I think if we repeal LB 1, then they will come back with a vote of the people. I urge you to defeat the Keyes amendment.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Koch. Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker, questions of Senator Keyes if he would yield.

PRESIDENT: Senator Keyes, would you respond?

SENATOR KEYES: Yes, Senator.

SENATOR KOCH: Senator Keyes, in your motion to amend LB 285, are you going to repeal LB 1 of the special session as well?

SENATOR KEYES: I am repealing LB 1. We will go back to where we were before Gosper County had its problems.

SENATOR KOCH: That isn't the way I read that amendment. The way I read it you are going to repeal...you are going to repeal LB 285 and you are going to leave the major provision of LB 1 intact.

SENATOR KEYES: No, Senator Koch. We are repealing 77-1355 and 77-1356, I think it is, 77-1356.

SENATOR KOCH: But for the record you are going to repeal LB 1 of the special session along with LB 285?

SENATOR KOCH: That is correct. We are repealing all of