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SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I have just got to get up and remind you that if this motion to do all this repealing is accepted, you are going to find yourselves in the very same situation that we were in a year ago, and if that is what this body wants to do, so be it. I don't. I think we can at least make an attempt to avoid that. I oppose this motion to repeal the whole lid thing. We are shirking our responsibilities. I am surprised at Senator Keyes who was one of the introducers and one of those who fought to get LB 1 passed. Now he wants to repeal it. We are trying to help him make LB 1 workable. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Keyes, you may now close on your motion.

SENATOR KEYES: Real short, I want to ask Senator Warner.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner, will you respond?

SENATOR KEYES: Senator Warner, we passed a bill last year on the local option 7%. Will this have anything to do, if we repeal the statutes, will this have anything to do with that?

SENATOR WARNER: What is the question again, Senator Keyes?

SENATOR KEYES: The question is, this won't affect the local option. If they choose to go under a 7% lid, that is their business.

SENATOR WARNER: Well, there is LB 2. I assume you are not repealing that. That is law.

SENATOR KEYES: No, I am not.

SENATOR WARNER: Yes, there is that option by law.

SENATOR KEYES: In closing I am going to state one or two things for Senator Cal Carsten and for the rest of the Senators that are listening, when I got back of the lid bill under Senator Dick Lewis, it was simply because Gosper County had proven that when they went through a reevaluation the elected officials did not pay any attention and they levied the same mill levy as they had been levying before and they raised two and three times as much money as they needed. They increased the taxes on certain pieces of property two and three times as much and somebody in the State of Nebraska had to bring to the knowledge of the elected officials that the people did not want their taxes to go