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we fail to move this bill to an acceptable...in an acceptable form, we again are going to be faced with those things that we were faced with a year ago and that is a petition, a very possible call for a special session with a specific purpose and I think that we need to assume our responsibilities as we have been trying to do this whole session. The governmental subdivisions that are involved have finally, it is my understanding, has agreed to these amendments that I am submitting to you this morning. Hopefully this body will adopt them, we get the bill passed, signed and into effect. I assure you that after this happens, hopefully it will, that our committee or at least the oversight committee will be analyzing the effect of 285, what it is doing and what it is not doing as I think we should and which we have not done very much of in years gone by but we will do that and find out what we have done and what impact it has. If we find there are areas that need to be corrected, I am sure that that committee will come back to this body with proper recommendations. If you don't adopt this, you are then going to be living with LB 1, and as you well know, LB 1 is really a problem and one that I think we all need to try and help. It is in that light that I am suggesting to you this morning that these amendments be adopted and that we then proceed with moving the bill. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Keyes.

SENATOR KEYES: I would like to ask Senator Carsten a question and a very friendly question, Senator Carsten. Can you tell me now what...am I on? Can you tell me what is going to be eliminated from the budget bill with LB 285?

PRESIDENT: Senator Carsten, are you going to respond to that?

SENATOR CARSTEN: Yes, sir. What is eliminated?

SENATOR KEYES: Yes, what we are going to let go above 107%?

SENATOR CARSTEN: Okay, what will be eliminated will be FICA, Federal Insurance, lights and fuel for all purposes.

SENATOR KEYES: And what else, insurance premiums?

SENATOR CARSTEN: No.

SENATOR KEYES: So what we really have left now is that we are going to say to the people of the State of Nebraska, the subdivisions of government, you can eliminate most everything that goes up above 107%, you can eliminate that