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do what we always said we could do, all we need to take out of the pockets of the taxpayers of the State of Nebraska is \$17 and not \$26. We ought to increase this to \$30 which is inadequate but is a step in the right direction. For that reason, I think this amendment should be accepted by this body and this is the credit that we should allow. We have to learn to live within our means and the taxpayers of Nebraska have every right to expect that we keep this credit, at least attempt to keep this credit....

PRESIDENT: One minute, Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: ...current with inflation. I have finished, thank you.

PRESIDENT: Remind the members that the House is still under Call. All members are to be at their desks. The question then is the amendment to the amendment, amendment to the Maresh amendment on LB 44. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? The House is under Call. Record the vote.

CLERK: 18 ayes, 23 nays on the motion to adopt, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Motion fails. The amendment to the amendment is not adopted. Senator Marsh, for what purpose do you rise? All right, about five people have been up on that so the Call is raised but I would suggest that since there is another amendment to the amendment that everybody stick pretty close because there will probably be another Call very soon. Motion on the desk. Read the motion. Another amendment to the amendment.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Newell moves to amend by striking \$26 and inserting \$28.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, and members of the body, I am saddened that we did not try to provide or get close to what is adequate in this regard. Since we are not going to give a \$32 credit which is what we would have to give if we were trying to get to that median average income on the amount of food that the FDA suggests that that family eats, that family of four divided by four, because each one of them get a credit, that figure had to be \$32 and we are not going to get close to that \$32. We are really playing a budgetary game. Now I don't know