

us to stand here and try to convince the other 48 of us that one particular area of the state carries all of the burden and another particular area carries most of the benefits is not going to work because we are all experienced for that. What it boils down to in the final analysis is a workable arrangement whereby hopefully, we achieve some sort of reasonable compromise between business, agriculture, industry, labor, professional people in order to support the services of government. There are those who would tell me that the issue is going to have to be resolved here and now without equivocation etc., well ladies and gentlemen that issue is going to be debated a long, long while after the most junior member of this body has retired from this service. Senators Wesely and Cullan and other younger members will be I'm sure engaged in other far more profitable pursuits. There will still be others, Senator Cullan says he hopes so, there will be others who will still be arguing whether or not we ought to tax this or tax that. The facts are that the services of government require support. Any time that it gets too far out of balance eventually the pendulum swings back the other way. I'm not going to talk about which county gets the most dollars and which gets the fewest. I'm not going to talk about who has the toughest role to play and who has the easiest. I don't think that any of us find that it is particularly easy in this day and age when you work for more than a third of the year to pay your taxes. I think that we all have an equally difficult burden to share. I happen to think that LB 691 is not the best solution to the problem. I hope that there are 24 other persons who agree with me. The one thing that I think that most of you would agree is that it does not make a lot of sense at this late date to debate LB 691 for an hour, two or three hours if it does not have sufficient votes to be advanced to Select File. I hope that you understand that I do not offer the kill motion in any spirit of animosity or in any spirit of trying to shut off debate, because I hope the kill motion will be debated fully. If there is anyone who has not resolved in his mind which of the two is the better solution, then I hope that that debate will contribute to your making up your mind. I do hope that we do not debate an issue for a long period of time and then not have the votes to advance the bill. I think that it is extremely important that there are some other issues that each of you have as a priority item that ought to be debated. You know it is amazing to me and I looked at the worksheet today, I have had some bills, personal bills and some committee bills that have been hovering near the top of General File for weeks and weeks never to see the light of debate, never to be discussed before this body. Interestingly, some representatives, lobbyists yes, but honorable