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the half a percent sales tax in Omaha and so I think that this body should consider this. Here they have an opportunity to raise \$12 million per year but they choose not to go this way and I think another thing that this body should think about is if we let Omaha have a one and a half percent sales tax that makes the total four and a half percent. Okay, what happens if we need to raise the sales tax over the overall state, say we need to raise that from three to three and a half. Then Omaha would go up to a total of five percent. Do you think that the Omaha Senators on this floor are going to support that? I submit to you that they will not. Also several years ago when we allowed Omaha...

SPEAKER MARVEL: You have a minute left, Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: ...to go with a one half percent sales tax or a total of one and a half percent, they actually lowered their real estate taxes but we in outstate Nebraska were not able to do that. In fact we had an increase and so I just wanted to call these things to your attention this afternoon.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Hoagland.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: I would like to call the question, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? I do. All those in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, opposed vote no. Record the vote. I am sorry. Record the vote.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 2 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Debate ceases. The Chair recognizes Senator DeCamp to close. Excuse me just a minute. (Gavel)

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, because the hour is late, I will try to be very brief. What we are asking today is not so innovating. We are asking that the same thing that has been debated at great, great length by this Legislature, and something that as it is in existence simply be maintained until such time as the Legislature redoes the entire tax system, number one. Number two, do you really believe that if you squeeze Omaha's nose or pinch them so it hurts this time by killing this bill or stalling it that you aren't going to generate an even bigger crisis that you are going to