

the state coffers. I, for one, would be willing to do this. Then we could find a system that maybe would work a lot better for us and get it down to the local level. I know that Senator DeCamp has a proposal, myself and Senator Remmers have a proposal. We need to take a look at these things. Anytime you get free money, it seems like free money from the state, it doesn't have as large an impact as when you get it at the local level. If we come up with this proposal, I'm sure that Senator Fenger's proposal is going to get a lot of support.

SENATOR CLARK: You have one minute left.

SENATOR SIECK: I personally am disappointed at what our urban leaders are proposing and advocating. I know that many of them are angry at the personal tax exemption but if you look at the other states around us, you will find that they have all taken the personal property tax off and I do feel that it is good for the State of Nebraska. It was an unfair tax. It was using the production materials to produce income for a tax and to me that is wrong.

SENATOR CLARK: Your time is up, Senator Sieck.

SENATOR SIECK: Thank you. I urge you to support Senator DeCamp's amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Nichol. Is Senator Nichol in the room? If not, then Senator Fowler. Senator Nichol. Senator Marsh, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MARSH: I beg your pardon, I thought the person you called on called the question.

SENATOR CLARK: Oh, no. Senator Fowler...wait a minute, here is Senator Nichol now.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, I'm sorry I was detained a minute, but I would just say that we talk about being fair one way or being fair the other way or it was advantageous to my community last time or it is advantageous to my community this time. I think with all this philosophy talk that is going around we may just be considering whether it is good for my district or not. Really what I think we are talking about is money and what it does for my district. I think a lot of this other rhetoric is simply trying to sway us mentally rather than talk about money.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Fowler.