

evaluations to secure funds. More dangerous than that is the very, very fragile system of the establishment of the evaluation process. What is the home worth in Lincoln today contrasted with what it was only a year ago? What is a home in Omaha or a business in Omaha worth today compared with what it was a year ago? What is a farm worth today as opposed to what it was a year ago? And always there is the lag, the lag between the valuation process and the distribution of the funds and for that reason I oppose the valuation formula. But the valuation distribution proposal you have under 816 is no formula at all. It is simply a proposal to get money back to certain areas and all it had to do was get money back to 25 legislators in an amount excessive to what the old formula called for and it is a valid formula. The fact that you rejected the DeCamp proposal to test the valuation formula in the court ought to again be proof positive to those naive members of this body who believe that there will be any rational attempt to further discuss the issue until there is a readjustment in the legislative body and that will happen and it has always happened. It will happen again and when it does those who sit in this body will look back and as someone said once if you do not learn from history you are condemned to repeat it. Some will be here to have learned from it and some will not. But I would ask you to vote against LB 816 and do not adopt the false philosophy that we have to have a bill. We do not have to have a bill. Far better to go back to your district and say we could not come up with something that was equitable and, therefore, we voted against it than to create chaos in about seventy counties and almost five hundred second class cities and villages and only the good Lord knows how many school districts. I would suggest that it will be interesting, extremely interesting...

SENATOR CLARK: You have one minute left.

SENATOR SCHMIT: ...as time passes to travel across the length and breadth of the state and to hear the various explanations that will be given when we discuss the formula adopted under LB 816. I ask you to vote against the advancement of LB 816 because if we can't do any better than that it is better to do nothing. I think that is one of the first rules of law-making, better to do nothing than to do something wrong.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I just wanted to speak briefly in favor of the bill. I think it is a fair bill and a just bill. As this day has worn on you have seen a number of tactics used against the bill. You've been bullied, you've had your attention diverted on this amendment or that amendment. There have been