

the things that really irritates me, but I'm not going to get angry about it, is your consistent and constant misquoting dollar amounts and we did this on 518 and I know that that is the issue you are debating today, but Omaha, Nebraska, contrary to what you said today and contrary to what you said on Select File when we talked about LB 816, gets \$600,000 more. Now the difference between \$600,000 and \$6 million is about \$5,400,000 or a zero and a comma. I know the tactic, if you say it long enough it becomes true, sometimes works. But I hope that my little speech will assist folks to keep a perspective about how much more that big, evil City of Omaha is going to receive under LB 816. \$600,000, Senator DeCamp, not \$6 million.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Well, Mr. President, I have the figures, I assume, before me that are as current as most and there is one heck of a lot more money than six or seven hundred thousand going to Omaha under 816. I think he is saying that it is Douglas County rather than the City of Omaha but I guess there is about \$4 million difference in the school districts alone and there is another million with the municipalities or the \$700,000 maybe that he is talking about and there is another million in county government. So let's do get our figures straight. But I do believe we made a mistake when we gave Omaha that extra half cent sales tax and I finally voted for it, I think, myself even though I have been opposed to that situation ever since I have been here. I think this might be a chance to rectify what we have been in error in and I guess the other day the argument that we had about the half cent sales tax brought it home to me when several Omaha senators got up and wanted to get out of the food tax which we have argued about for a long time and I'm not sure I can't support that if we ever figure out how we are going to fund that money in an equitable way back to the subdivisions that lose it. But let's don't swallow this \$700,000 thing because that is not right. Thank you.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, thank you, David. \$700,000 you say? That is basically what you get under 816? Well then if you only gain that much I don't see why you are so enthusiastic that it pass because you are getting so much more under the sales tax. It seems to me that you wouldn't support 816 and then still want to keep your sales tax. Why don't you just go ahead and say, we'll let you keep your sales tax being you gain only \$700,000 under 816, oppose that. I mean, I just can't understand why you want to punish everybody so bad for \$700,000 because that