

intentions to strike out a couple of things, to deal with a couple of those things individually at a later time, but as the amendment will now stand with the adoption of this amendment; one, it sunsets foundation and equalization; two, it requires that the income tax form, if you don't have your school district on there, will become just like if you do not sign your state income tax form. It will be returned as an incomplete form. This is done to assure some more complete data. The fact of the matter is now there is only about 50 percent of the taxpayers in the state actually fill that actual form out and filling your school district on there. Now the Department of Revenue, for a variety of reasons, given the address, can decipher about another 35 percent of those returns on what school district they are in, but there is still 10 to 15 percent that are either a rural route address in a rural area in Nebraska, where, obviously, if you are like me where I have a Stromsburg address but in the Benedict School District, that rural route is not going to tell you anything. So there is many things in there...there is a lot of those returns that are unidentifiable unless that person fills that out. So what this amendment will do is say, if you don't fill out the school district form, it will be returned as an incomplete form. It will go back to the individual, and then from that time forth, it will be on a little sticker that you get, so it is a one time that there is going to be a lot of incomplete returns. After that, there will be far less because it will be on the information given to the taxpayers in the packets sent to them at the first of the year. And the last thing this does, actually it is the first thing in the bill, as Senator Warner mentioned, it is kind of...it may make a better resolution, as such, and that is true to some degree but I think it is important that 611, if you want to keep the heart of LB 611, you are saying that we believe that if we have to dedicate some sort of a tax base, some of our income tax base in this state to the local district. Now the lid provisions that Senator Haberman talked about, the reason that is in there, as you well understand, Senator Haberman, that everybody says how you going to guarantee that is some sort of property tax relief. I think it is important, just like Senator Withem mentioned, the fact of the matter is we are working with the school districts and have some sort of budgetary limitation on budgetary growth that the school district can live with. One thing about it is I want dollar for dollar property tax reduction, whatever I have to do to get that, I will do that. We are trying to work some sort of budgetary constraints that recognizes the needs of the school district but yet guarantees