

simpler for all the reasons I have given it. I wish that I had 49 accountants in here voting on this bill, I would not have any fear that there...that the accountants, in looking at this bill, would see it as a far superior bill to the one, 739, in its present form. I wish that there were 49 tax lawyers here who were coming in here looking at the two bills and saying, which is the better tax policy. I have full confidence that a majority of those tax lawyers would say this proposal is a far superior bill to LB 739. Unfortunately, I don't have accountants, I don't have taxpayers...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR McFARLAND: ...voting on this bill. I have a legislative body that has been conditioned to political posturing, conditioned to try to give some kind of indication that this is going to provide tax relief when it really doesn't. I have a political body that instead of acting in the best interests of the people and the taxpayers of the State of Nebraska are acting in the best interests of what kind of political image can be created both for themselves and for the present administration. I would ask you to look and vote upon this bill objectively. Look at the fairness of it, look at the simplicity of it, look at how it would provide tax relief to the middle income taxpayers who have been burdened with a tax increase, and I think if you look at it on that basis, on a common sense, rational basis you can only make one decision and that is to vote for the amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. And the question is the adoption of the McFarland amendment to LB 739. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Voting on the McFarland amendment. Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 8 ayes, 19 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The amendment is not adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next motion I have is by Senator Hall. That motion would be to indefinitely...withdraw?

SPEAKER BARRETT: It's withdrawn.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.