

people in the Legislature to pass something that they all know is other than what they represent it to be. Now pride can be taken in that because, by being here, we're all political animals and we delight in being able to work our will. Sometimes working of the will becomes more important than the ultimate outcome of that working of the will. So we dispute among ourselves on this floor. We argue endless hours and wind up often where we started from, but we get a lot out of our system and, in some cases, get necessary things presented to the public. But we have to realize that there is a much broader world or universe that the State of Nebraska encompasses than is encompassed by this room that we call the Legislative Chamber. We get so close to what we're doing, so involved in it that it becomes the whole world and our perspective is distorted. We don't see the big picture and we don't realize that there are people making more objective judgments of what we're doing than we can make about what we're doing, and they see this as nothing. How many of you have been praised on talk shows for the great amount of tax relief, property tax relief, that's going to come to the people as a result of this bill? How many people out there will hail LB 84 because it brought property tax salvation? They don't even know the number of the bill. I'll bet there were more ordinary citizens who recognized the number LB 775 than recognized LB 84, and 775 was sticking it to them and this is supposed to be giving them something and they don't know anything about it because it's not giving them anything. But it's going to be passed. We're in such haste to do evil that we must suspend the rules. And where will the pride be? How many of you will go out into the hustings and boast about this? And then, if you do boast, tell the people in dollars how much they're going to get in terms of this property tax relief and then tell them you get it for a year. Why, it'd be like the end of those Frankenstein movies. They'd get pitchforks, clubs, torches and run you till there's not a foot... a piece of ground for you to put one foot in front of the other on. Property tax relief; I get \$28. How much do you get? I get a hundred dollars. How much do you get? I get \$168. Who gave it to you? The Legislature. Do you love the Legislature? Crazy about them. They can make more than that, and Senator Labeledz and I were talking, she made more than that by accident at Ak-Sar-Ben off \$4, \$4, and that's what she did. So if you begin to put it in some kind of perspective, you can see that what is happening here is a recognition that four senators from disparate backgrounds came together and forged a package, and they're holding it together and they have sold it to a majority of the