

still exists in the bill is not all the rest of the bill, but it is one little portion and here it is. If you are up before the Board of Equalization and you bring a heretofore rarely and always unsuccessfully used technique of a class action and are successful, have you not, with using existing law, forced the revaluation of everybody in the...and is not then the remedy that everybody gets revalued? It has never happened in the past. Equalization issues have always been based on the person who brought the appeal and specific to their piece of property. That has always been the form of relief. Frankly, we've used the word taxpayer that is broad enough and ambiguous to permit perhaps the conception of a class action, and while we've never had it in the past, we've got a slew of them now.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time has expired.

SENATOR LANDIS: The question I have is this, to sum up. Is there not a value in limiting to the way that we've always done it to receive remedy for the appellant, but not for the taxpayer, to pass this language creating past practice to avoid that ambiguity and to meet the very real threat of the class action suits which are now before the Board of Equalization and the courts? That is my question.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Chambers, followed by Senators Lamb, Schmit and Landis.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, Senator Landis argued learnedly and well and it sounded like somebody whose name I believe I could call and it's not Landis, and he can correct me if I'm mistaken. But what we are confronted with again is an argument presented on behalf of local subdivisions. That's what we're all the way back to again. The committee amendment that has become the bill would be those white sheets in front of the green copy. Kill it, and we're right where we were when we came down here. And, Senator Hefner, I'd like to ask you a question, if you will answer because you've been kind of discussing these things.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Hefner.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Hefner, what would be bad about not having LB 2? Now before you answer, there was a movie called "Star Wars" and these people were in serious trouble in the galaxy and they said, help us, Obi Wan Kenobie, you're our only